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# **CURRICULUM VITAE**

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## **PERSONAL DETAILS**

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# **HIGHEST QUALIFICATIONS**

December 1985	Master of Arts (Greek) University of the Free State (UFS) Thesis: Stilistiese tegnieke in die Filippensebrief (Stylistic techniques in the epistle to the Philippians) Promoter: Prof AH Snyman (UFS)
March 1990	Master of Theology (New Testament) University of the Free State (UFS) Thesis: 'n Kritiese beoordeling van sosio-historiese en sosiologiese benaderings tot die interpretasie van die Nuwe Testament (A critical assessment of socio- historical and sociological approaches to the interpretation of the New Testament) Promoter: Prof HC van Zyl (UFS)
March 1997	<b>Doctor Divinitatis (Practical Theology: Homiletics) University of Pretoria (UP)</b> Thesis: 'n Prakties-teologiese ondersoek na die vormgewing van die preek (A practical-theological investigation of the sermon form) Promoter: Prof CJA Vos (UP)

#### ACADEMIC CAREER

- 1968-1974 Valhalla Primary School (Pretoria), ML Fick Primary School (Potchefstroom)
- 1975-1979 Volkskool Secondary School Potchefstroom
- 1980-1983 North West University (BA, BA Honns, Greek)
- 1984-1990 University of the Free State (BTh, MA Greek, MTh New Testament)
- 1992-1996 University of Pretoria (Doctor Divinitas)
- 2007- Stellenbosch University

#### **PROFESSIONAL CAREER**

1985-1988	Research assistant, Dept New Testament, UFS
1989-1990	Military chaplain (conscription), SA Air Force, Bloemspruit Air Force Base
1990-1997	Minister, DRC Suidkus, Amanzimtoti
1997-2007	Minister, DRC Sonstraal, Durbanville
2003-2006	Part-time lecturer, Dept of Old and New Testament, Faculty of Theology,
	Stellenbosch University (SU)
2007-2012	Senior Lecturer in Practical Theology and Ministerial practice, Dept of Practical
	Theology and Missiology, Faculty of Theology, Stellenbosch University
2012-2016	Associate Professor of Practical Theology and Ministerial practice, Dept of Practical
	Theology and Missiology, Faculty of Theology, Stellenbosch University
2016-	Professor of Practical Theology and Ministerial practice, Dept of Practical Theology
	and Missiology, Faculty of Theology, Stellenbosch University

#### **RESEARCH AWARDS AND RECOGNITION**

1983	HSRC merit bursary for Honours in Greek
1984	HSRC merit bursary for Masters in Greek
1984	UFS merit award for Masters in Greek
1988	HSRC merit bursary for Masters in New Testament
1989	Academic honours University of the Free State
1990	Dean's medal for best masters' degree in the Faculty of Theology
2010	Unit for Religion and Development Research (URCR) receives SU Community
	Interaction Committee Flagship status during my term as director
2010	SU Travel bursary for presentation of paper at International Research Consortium, Utrecht, Nederland
2011	Fund for Innovation and Research in Teaching and Learning (FIRTL) award for
	research on: Innovation of a first-year practical theology course
2012	Academy for Teaching and Learning conference merit certificate for overall best presentation entitled: <i>Blended learning: Innovation in the teaching of practical</i>
	theology to first year students
2012	SU Travel bursary for study leave and research in Wittenberg and Heidelberg (Germany)
2012	Rector's award for general achievement (Research and Teaching)
2013	Rector's award for being amongst the top 25 in terms of publication output during 2011 at Stellenbosch University
2014	Rector's award for general achievement (Research and Teaching)
2014	Fund for Innovation and Research in Teaching and Learning (FIRTL) award for research on: <i>Implementing Graduate Attributes in the Master of Divinity program.</i>
2015	Teaching Fellowship Award from Centre for Teaching and Learning (CTL) for three years 2015-2017 for research on: Leadership development through theological education: The development of thought leaders through curriculum renewal of the

	Master of Divinity program
2015	Rector's award for general achievement (Research and teaching)
2016	National Research Foundation (NRF) – received a C-3 rating.
2017	Inaugural lecture, Faculty of Stellenbosch. Title: We know to whom we belong? The drama of ministry practice in a Postcolonial African context, 6 April 2017
2017	Research Award for Exceptional Achievement by the Vice-Rector: Research, Innovation and Postgraduate Studies
2018	Teaching Fellowship Award from TAU (Teaching Advancement at Universities) for two years 2018-2019 for research on: <i>Developing a competency framework for Religious Leaders</i>
2018	Rector's Award for Exceptional Achievement in Teaching and Learning by the Vice- Rector Teaching and Learning
2018	Chosen to serve as African representative on the Executive Board of the Societies Homiletica (Society of Homiletics) at the annual meeting in Durham, North Carolina 2018.
2019	Protestant Theological University in the Netherlands award a Research Fellowship as visiting professor for August-September 2019
2022	Research Award for Exceptional Achievement by the Vice-Rector: Research, Innovation and Postgraduate Studies

# **RESEARCH AND STUDY VISITS ABROAD**

1994	Member of Bureau for Continued Theology Education and Research (BUVTON) research group (Stellenbosch) visiting various theological schools, seminaries and churches in the United States of America for 6 weeks.
1999	Visit Murray Theological College (Zimbabwe), Hefsiba Theological College (Mozambique), Nkhoma Institute for Continued Theological Training (Malawi) and Lilongwe Theological College (Malawi) with the Commission for Witness of the DRC family in the Western Cape.
2000	Two months research visit in the USA (Boston University, RCA Grand Rapids and CRC Holland, Michigan). Research for the publication: <i>Draers van die waarheid: Nuwe Testamentiese visies vir die gemeente (Bearers of the truth: New Testament visions for the congregation).</i>
2005	Visit theological faculties at Leiden, Kampen and Utrecht after attending the Reformed Ecumenical Council in Utrecht, Netherlands.
2008	Attend the Societas Homiletica in Copenhagen, Denmark, followed by a visit to Protestantse Theologische Universiteit (PThU) in Utrecht, Leiden and Vrije Universiteit (VU) in Amsterdam, Netherlands, to discuss MDiv program.
2012	Two months study leave: Study and research visits to Wittenberg and Heidelberg, Germany.
2012	One month study leave: Study, teaching and research visit to Umea University, Sweden.
2015	Six months study leave: Study, teaching and research visits to Protestant Theological University, Netherlands and Zurich University, Switzerland.
2017	Invited as guest lecturer to the Christian-Albrechts University as part of the Kieler Woche, Kiel, Germany. Title of address: <i>We know to whom we belong? The drama of ministry practice in a Postcolonial African context</i> .
2019	Invited as visiting professor to the Protestant Theological University in the Netherlands as part of a Research Fellowship
2019	Three months study leave: Study and research visits to Zurich University, Switzerland and Berlin, Germany.

#### PUBLICATIONS – BOOKS (Total 15)

- Nell, I.A. Meyer, O & Botha, J. (eds). 1998 2002. *Preekstudies met Liturgiese voorstelle*. 5 Volumes. Buvton: Stellenbosch.
- Nell, I.A. 2000. Ons ware ID is Jesus. 'n Bybelstudie vir groepe of individue oor die woordprente in Jesus se "Ek is" uitsprake. Lux Verbi.BM: Wellington.
- Nell, I.A. & Burger, CW (eds), 2002. Draers van die Waarheid: Nuwe Testamentiese visies vir die gemeente. Buvton: Stellenbosch.
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- Nell, I.A. (et al eds). 1999. Seisoene van God se jaar: Lees die Bybel saam met Christene oor die hele wêreld. 'n Bybelse dagboek gebaseer op die kerklike jaar. Lux Verbi.BM: Wellington.
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- Nell, I.A. Meyer, O, & Vosloo, R. 2005. *God se antwoord .... is 'n vraag: Oor God, lyding en die lewe in die lig van die boek Job*. Lux Verbi.BM: Wellington.
- Nell, I.A. Bester, D, & Cilliers, JC (eds) 2010. *Teen my sin en beterwete: Kantaantekeninge oor preek en preekmaak*. Bybelmedia: Wellington.
- Nell, I.A. 2020. *Together in God's Theater: Practical Theology in an African context*. Christian Literature Fund, Wellington.
- Nell, I.A. 2021. *Saam in God se teater: Praktiese Teologie in 'n Afrika konteks*. Christelike Lektuur Fonds: Wellington.
- Nell, I.A. (ed.) 2022. Covid-19 in Congregations and Communities: An Exploration of the Influence of the Coronavirus Pandemic on Congregational and Community Life. Naledi Publishers: Gansbaai.

## PUBLICATIONS - CHAPTERS IN BOOKS (Total 32)

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- Nell. I.A. 1994. The contribution of the new rhetoric of Perelman and Olbrechts-Tyteca to homiletics, in CJA Vos (ed), *Proclaim the Gospel,* 1994:20-41.
- Nell. I.A. 1995. Eerste Sondag ná Pase: Lukas 24:1-12, in CW Burger, BA Müller & DJ Smit (eds), Verdere riglyne vir Paas-, Hemelvaart- en Pinksterprediking: Woord teen die Lig I/9 1995.
- Nell, I.A. 1997. Eenheid en versoening: Matt 5:21-26, in CW Burger, BA Müller & DJ Smit (eds), Riglyne vir prediking oor die eenheid: Woord teen die Lig III/5 1997:100-111.
- Nell, I.A. 1997. Versoekings, die ekstra kilomenter en ware rykdom, in Vos, C. (ed) Omdat ons klein is. 40 Volledige kinderboodskappe om te gebruik in eredienste en saalbyeenkomste. Lux Verbi.BM: Wellington.
- Nell, I.A. 2002. Hoe lees ons die Nuwe Testament as verhaal van die kerk? Enkele hulpmiddels, in Burger & Nell (eds) Draers van die Waarheid: Nuwe Testamentiese visies vir die gemeente. Buvton: Stellenbosch.
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- Nell, I.A. 2013. A Response to Ciska Stark's "Missing Links in Mainline Churches: Biblical Life Stories and Their Claims in Today's Family Preaching". In: Fragile Dignity: intercontextual conversations on scriptures, family and violence. Claassens, J & Spronk, K. (eds.). Society oof Biblical Litetature. Semeia
- Nell, I.A & Cilliers, J.H. 2014. Seeking a Safe Haven? The Interaction between Religious and Social Transformations within Dutch Reformed Traditions in South Africa. In: Wilhelm Gräb, Lars Charbonnier (eds). *The Impact of Religion on Social Cohesion, Social Capital Formation, and Social Development in Different cultural Contexts. Entering the Field in International and Interdisciplinary Perspectives.* Studies of Religion and Culture. Berlin: Lit Verlag.
- Nell, I.A. & Grobler, R. 2015. A movement seeking appropriate forms of Christian gathering and Worship other than through congregational structures: An exploration of Fresh Expressions. In: Ecclesial Reform and Deform Movements in the South African Context. Conradie, E & Pillay, M (eds.) Sun Media, 56-68.
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- Nell, I.A. 2017. The long road to practicing Ubuntu-leadership: Practical-theological perspectives from a Malawian case study. In: Dreyer, J (et al). *Practicing Ubuntu: Practical theological perspectives on injustice, personhood, and human dignity*. Lit Verlag: Zürich.
- Nell, I.A. 2018. 'Virtual leadership? The e-Church as a South African Case Study. In: Brouwer, R. (ed.) *The Future of Lived Religious Leadership.* VU University Press: Amsterdam.
- Nell. I.A. 2018. Death as new birth: A response to Christian Polke's essay: "Life's beginning and life's end: An essay in natality and mortality. In: *Pluralisation and Social Change: Dynamics of lived religion in South African and in Germany*. De Guyter: Berlin.
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  Nel, M (ed) *Mission Moves: Cultivating Communities of the Gospel*. HTS Religion and Society,
  Volume 11. Aosis Publishing: Durbanville.
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## PUBLICATIONS - RESEARCH ARTICLES – PEER REVIEWED JOURNALS (Total 51)

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- Nell, I.A. 1999. 'n Postliberale venster op die preek (A postliberal view on the sermon). Skrif en Kerk, 20(1), pp.150-71.
- Nell, I.A. 2009. In Search of Meaning: Moving from the Prophet's voice to prophecy in community. *Scriptura*, 102, pp.560-76.
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- Nell, I.A. 2009. In die gastehuis van die prediking: Preekvernuwing vanuit Bybelse en Gereformeerde Wortels (In the guesthouse of preaching: Renewal of preaching from Biblical and Reformed roots). In die Skriflig, 43(4), pp.1-24.
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- Nell, I.A. 2009. The tears of xenophobia: preaching and violence from a South African perspective. *Practical Theology in South Africa*, 24(2), pp.229-47.
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## **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE - PROJECTS**

2007-2008 Co-researcher in an **SU research project** of the missional work group for Communitas (a DRC committee for continued ministry formation and support): *"Missionary perspectives in the New Testament"*. One paper presention and chapter published in book.

- 2009-2010 Co-researcher in an **SU research project**: *"Missionêre Kerk-wees in die boek Handelinge" (Being a missional church in the book of Acts).* One paper presentation and a published article.
- 2009-2012 Co-researcher in a **DAAD research project** as a trilateral agreement between Humboldt University, Berlin, University of KwaZulu-Natal, Pietermaritzburg, and the Faculty of Theology, SU, on: "Religion, culture and society". Two paper presentations and two articles published.
- 2008-2011 Co-researcher in a **NRF research project** (grant number 65620): *"The role of religious ritual in social capital formation for poverty alleviation"*. Rituals and ethnographic research mainly about the *Corinthian Church (AIC)*, Kokstad, Kwazulu-Nata. Two papers presented and three articles published.
- 2010-2011 Principle researcher in an **SU research project**: *"Paradigm shifts in the leadership of a local URC congregation"* in the Vlottenburg community, Stellenbosch. Ethnographic and participatory researcy with a specific focus on the role of leadership in faith communities. Receive an SU travel bursary to present a paper at an international conference of the Research Consortium in Utrecht, Netherlands. One paper presentation and one article published.
- 2011-2012 Principle researcher in an **FIRTL research project** with FIRTL-funding (Fund for Innovation and Research in Teaching and Learning): *"Innovering deur die gebruik van vermengde leer aan voorgraadse studente in praktiese teologie" (Innovation through the use of blended learning to undergraduate students in practical theology).* Quantitative and qualitative research amongst first year students. Organise a one day international conference, *"Teaching practical theology to undergraduate students",* (15 August 2011, Stellenbosch). One paper presentation and one article published.
- 2011-2014 Co-researcher in an **SU research project**: *"Critical Citizenship"* which is part of "Student Learning Experience" and "signature learning" at SU. Qualitative research in the form of semi-structured and focus group interviews with lecturers and students from four SU faculties. Delivered paper *International Conference on the Relevance of Critical Citizenship Education in an African Context*. Stellenbosch, South Africa. 27-28 November 2014.
- 2011-2015 Co-researcher in **Bilateral research project** of the Protestantse Teologische Universiteit, Netherlands, and SU: "Human Dignity under Threat", resulting in one publication and three papers. Two paper presentations and one article published.
- 2013-2015 Co-researcher in an **International research project**: *"Transforming religious identities and communities at the Intersections of the Rural, the Urban, and the Virtual"*. The project led by Prof Ruard Ganzevoort (VU, Netherlands) involves researchers of VU and the PThU in the Netherlands, Umea University in Sweden, SU, UFS and PU. A proposal for research funding has been approved by the European Union. Three paper presentations and three articles published.
- 2012-2015 Principle researcher in an **Africa research project**: *"The role of religious leadership in social cohesion in different African communities"*. Qualitative research in the form of semi-structured and focus group interviews with lecturers and students from various theological training institutions and faith communities. Two paper presentations and two articles published.
- 2014-2016 Principle researcher in **FIRTL-research project** with FIRTL-funding (Fund for Innovation and Research in Teaching and Learning) with title: *Embedding of graduate attributes (GA's) into the Master of Divinity Program en route to ministerial leadership development.* Qualitative research amongst lecturers in M Divprogramme. Organise three workshops for lecturers on the theme (21-22 February 2014, Somerset West; 23-25 October 2014, Mont Fleur, Stellenbosch and 15-17 August 2016, Mont Fleur, Stellenbosch).

2014-2016	Principle researcher in a research project of the <b>Unit for Innovation and</b> <b>Transformation</b> (Ekklesia) with title: <i>Perceptions of Alumni during the period 2006-2011 on their theological training at the Faculty of Theology at Stellenbosch University</i> . One paper presentation and one article published.
2015-2017	Principle researcher in a research project as part of the <b>Teaching Fellowship Award</b> from the Centre for Teaching and Learing (CTL) with the title: <i>Leadership</i> <i>development through theological education: The development of thought leaders</i> <i>through curriculum renewal of the Master of Divinity program.</i> Two paper
2016-2017	persentations and one article published. Co-researcher in a <b>Critical Citizenship SU-research project</b> : Investigating lecturer's (and students) reactions to the 2015-2016 student protests Qualitative research in the form of semi-structured interviews with lecturers and students from four SU faculties. Part of group presentation at SOTL conference, October 2016.
2017-2019	Co-researcher in a <b>SU research Project on Distributive Leadership</b> under the leadership of Prof. Magda Fourie-Malherbe. Qualitative research in the form of semi- structured interviews with lecturers from the Faculty of Theology. One paper presentation.
2018-2019	Principal researcher in <b>TAU Fellowship</b> (Teaching Advancement at Universities). A project in which 50 academics of 24 different Universities participated. The title of my project: <i>Developing a competency framework for religious leaders</i> . One paper presentation and one article published.
2020-2021	Principal researcher in a <b>SU Covid-19 research project</b> with the title: <i>Covid-19,</i> <i>Congregations and Community: A South African exploration on the influence of the</i> <i>Coronavirus pandemic on congregational and community life.</i> One paper presentation, one chapter published and edited a book on the topic.
2020-2023	Co-researcher in a <b>CONTOC international research project</b> under the leadership of Prof Thomas Schlag (Zürich, Switzerland) and Prof Ilona Nord. The title of the project: <i>Churches Online in Times of Corona Empirical Insights, Interpretations and</i> <i>Consequences</i> . One article published.
2022-2025	Co-researcher in a <b>Trilateral international research project on Teaching and</b> <b>Learning in Crisis</b> (NLA, SU and Global University, Kenya) under the leadership of Prof Bärd Norheim (NLA Norway) and Prof Shantelle Weber (SU). Title of my contribution: <i>Collaborative online teaching.</i> Two paper presentations and two book chapters published.

# MEMBERSHIP OF ACADEMIC SOCIETIES

Member of the following academic and professional societies:

- *IAPT* (International Academy for Practical Theology). Attended conferences in Amsterdam (2011), Toronto (2013), Pretoria (2015), Oslo (2017), Brazil (2019), Leuven (2021). Accepted as full member in October 2014.
- **Societas Homiletica**: (International academic society in homiletics). Attended conferences in Pretoria (2006), Copenhagen (2008), Wittenberg (2012) and Madurai, India (2014). Full member since 2009. Part of organizing committee for 2016 conference in Stellenbosch. Serve on Executive Board as African representative since 2018. Appointed as general secretary in August 2022.
- **Society for Practical Theology in South Africa** (full member since 1999) serve on Executive Committee since 2012. Secretary of the Society from 2013 to 2017.
- South African Missiological Society (full member since 2013)
- **Communitas** work group: Work group for lectionary studies and liturgical proposals (contributed to the lectionary for the last 20 years)
- Unit for Innovation and Transformation as part of Ekklesia, University of Stellenbosch (since

2013).

- South African Partnership for Missional Churches (since 2004)
- International Research Consortium: (International study group concentrating on the studying of congregations). Full member since 2010.

## PAPERS PRESENTED AT ACADEMIC CONFERENCES

## International

- 2008 In search of meaning: Moving from the prophet's voice to prophecy in community. A South African Perspective. Presented at the 8th academic society of Societas Homiletica (International academic society for homiletics). Conference theme: "In search of menaing: Does preaching make a difference?", 20-25 June 2008. **Copenhagen, Denmark**.
- 2008 The tears of Xenophobia: Preaching and violence from a South African perspective. Paper presented at the Academy of Homiletics in November 2008, **Boston, United States of America.**
- 2010 *Social cohesion/inclusion.* Paper presented at the South-South Colloquium as part of DAAD Programmes on: *Social Capital, Social Cohesion and Religion.* Joint conference of US, UKZN and Humboldt University. Berlin. 22-25 February 2010, **Stellenbosch, South Africa.**
- 2010 *Embodied leadership: Paradigm shifts in the leadership of a local URCSA Congregation.* Paper presented at conference of the International Research Consortium on: *Surprised by God: Theology, Worship, and Ministry.* 21-24 June 2010. **Utrecht, Netherlands.**
- 2010 Seeking a safe haven? The interaction between religious and social transformations within Dutch Reformed traditions in South Africa. Paper presented at North-South Colloquium as part of DAAD Programmes on: The impact of global religious transformations on social cohesion and social development in different cultural contexts. Paper presented jointly with Prof Johan Cilliers. 25-28 November 2010. **Berlin, Germany**.
- 2011 *The desire to lead: Reordering leadership desires in faith communities.* Paper presented at the 10<sup>th</sup> biannual conference of the International Academy of Practical Theology. *City of desires: Place for God?* VU, 21-25 July 2011. **Amsterdam, Netherlands.**
- 2011 Responsive letter to contribution of Ciska Stark. Contribution to conference of A North-South Dialogue between SU and PThU on: Human Dignity under Threat: Title of Stark's contribution: Missing Links in Mainline Churches. Biblical Life Stories and their Claim in Today's Family Preaching", 25 – 26 August, 2011. Stellenbosch, South Africa.
- 2012 Blended learning: Innovation in the teaching of practical theology to undergraduate students. Paper presented at the annual conference of the International Research Consortium, 20-22 January 2012. **Stellenbosch, South Africa.**
- 2012 *"Obedience to God": Preaching through the lenses of social identity theory.* Paper presented at the 10<sup>th</sup> academic society of *Societas Homiletica* (International academic society for homiletics). Theme: *Viva Vox Evangelii; Reforming Preaching today,* 10-15 August, 2012. **Wittenberg, Germany.**
- 2012 *Rev. Pungula Dingani: Leadership in an African Independent Church.* Paper presented at SU and PthU consultation: Theme: *We cannot build the future for our church leaders, but we can build our church leaders for the future,* 29-20 October 2012. **Groningen, Netherlands.**
- 2012 The role of Theological Institutions in building church leaders for the future SU and Moluccan Church consultation. Present paper with the theme: *Teaching leadership and administration at a Faculty of Theology: Practical theological reflections.* 1-2 November. **Utrecht (Houten)**, **Netherlands.**
- 2013 *Complex Identities in a Shifting World: One God, many stories.* The 11th bi-annual Conference of the International Academy for Practical Theology (IAPT) held in Toronto, Canada on 11-15 April 2013.Deliver paper with title: *Transforming identities in African religious leadership: One continent, many stories.* **Toronto, Canada.**

- 2013 The changing landscape in religious leadership: Reflections from rural African faith communities? The first conference of a joint international research project with the theme: Transforming religious identities and communities at the intersections of the rural, the urban and the virtual . 3-5 Julie, **Durham, England.**
- 2013 *The role and meaning of the Protestant Church in South Africa after the reconciliation process.* Paper presented at a SU and Moluccan Church Consultation with the theme: *The calling of the church.* 13-15 November. **Utrecht (Houten), Netherlands.**
- 2014 Transforming congregational culture: Sub-urban leadership perspectives within a circuit of the DRC. Paper delivered at the second conference of the international research project with the working title: Transforming religious identities and communities at the intersections of the rural, the urban and the virtual, that took place on July 2-4, 2014 at the Vrije Universiteit in **Amsterdam, The Netherlands**.
- 2014 The vulnerability of theological leadership: The "sermon of the layperson" as a case in point. Paper presented at the 11<sup>th</sup> bi-annual meeting of the Societas Homiletica. The theme of the conference: Preaching Vulnerability – Naming and Neglecting Reality. **Madurai, India**, 25-30 July 2014.
- 2014 Critical Citizenship through Ecumenical Exposure: The programme of the Postgraduate Diploma in Theology as a case in point. Paper presented at the International Conference on the Relevance of Critical Citizenship Education in an African Context. **Stellenbosch, South Africa.** 27-28 November 2014.
- 2015 *Towards a deeper understanding of "Just leadership": Engaging Beyers Naudé*. Paper presented at *the International Summer School* held at the University of the Western Cape on the theme: *Religion, Law, and Justice*. In collaboration with the Humboldt University, Berlin, The University of Stellenbosch, and the University of KwaZulu-Natal, **Bellville, South Africa**. 24-26 February 2015.
- 2015 Compassionate leadership: Some reflections on the work and life of Father Michael Lapsley. Paper presented at the conference of A North-South Dialogue between Stellenbosch University and Protestant Theological University on: Compassion: Global Ethics, Human Dignity and the Compassionate God, Stellenbosch, South Africa, 5 - 7 May 2015.
- 2015 *Compassionate justice? Engaging the leadership practices of a wounded healer.* Paper presented at the International Summer School on the theme: *Religion, Law, and Justice.* In collaboration with the Humboldt University, Berlin, The University of Stellenbosch, and the University of KwaZulu-Natal. Humboldt University, **Berlin, Germany,** 10-12 June 2015.
- 2015 The long road to practicing Ubuntu leadership: Practical theological perspectives from a Malawian case study. The 12th bi-annual Conference of the International Academy for Practical Theology (IAPT) with the theme: Practicing Ubuntu: Practical Theological Perspectives on Injustice, Personhood and Human Dignity. **Pretoria, South Africa**, 16-20 July 2015.
- 2015 *Gaining speed for the second hurdle: Integrating Graduate Attributes in a Masters of Divinity program.* The Annual conference of the Australian Association for Research in Education (AARE) in **Fremantle (Perth), Australia**, 29 Nov 3 Dec 2015.
- 2016 *The promise of performing the Gospel: Preaching as theo-dramatic paradox.* Paper delivered at the 11<sup>th</sup> bi-annual meeting of the *Societas Homiletica*, **Stellenbosch, South Africa**, 11–16 March 2016. The theme of the conference: *Preaching promise within the paradoxes of life.*
- 2016 Towards Responsible Citizenship: The Story of Curriculum Renewal of a Master of Divinity Program in South Africa. Paper delivered at the Annual conference of the International Society for the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning, Hyatt Regent Hotel, Los Angeles, USA. 12-15 October 2016. The theme of the conference: Telling the Story of Teaching and Learning: Exploring What Works, When, Hos and Why.
- 2016 *Socially just pedagogies in a time of student uprising at the Stellenbosch University campus.* Conference of ICED (International Consortium for Educational Development) & HELTASA

with the theme: *Ethics, Care and Quality in Educational Development,* 23-25 November, **Cape Town, South Africa.** 

- 2017 Reforming the space of theological education: Towards decolonizing a Master of Divinity curriculum. Paper delivered at the 13<sup>th</sup> bi-annual conference of the International Academy for Practical Theology (IAPT) with the theme: Reforming: Space, body and politics. April 20-24, **Oslo, Norway.**
- 2017 *We know to whom we belong? The drama of ministry practice in a Postcolonial African context.* Paper delivered as invited guest lecturer to the Christian-Albrechts University as part of the Kieler Woche, 17-23 June, **Kiel, Germany.**
- 2018 *Preaching in a Xenophobic culture: A South African perspective*. Paper presented at the 12<sup>th</sup> bi-annual meeting of the *Societas Homiletica*, **Durham, North Carlina**, 1–7 August 2018. The theme of the conference: *Fearing God in a Fear-Filled World? Homilitical Explorations*.
- 2019 Developing a competency framework for ministerial formation from a postcolonial perspective: A South Africa contribution. Paper delivered at the 14<sup>th</sup> biennale conference of the International Academy for Practical Theology with the theme "(De)coloniality and Religious Practices: Liberating Hope", 4–8 April 2019, Faculdades EST, **Sao Leopoldo, Brazil**.
- 2019 *Post-colonial leadership? The challenges facing a new generation of theologians.* Lecture delivered at the opening of the Academic Year of the Protestant Theological University on the 2nd of September 2019, **Vrijburg Gemeente, Amsterdam**.
- 2020 Pandemic homiletics? A South African exploration of preaching during the time of the Covid-19 crisis. Societas Homiletica **online conference** 10-12 August 2020: "Words in a Time of Crisis: Preaching during the COVID-19 Pandemic."
- 2021 Challenges of Covid-19 to religious leadership: An Empirical Probe into Ministerial Leadership during the COVID-19 Pandemic. Online paper delivered at the 15<sup>th</sup> biennale conference of the International Academy for Practical Theology with the theme: Coping with crisis: hospitality, security, and the search for faithful connections, 8-10 June 2021, **Leuven, Belgium.**
- 2022 *Exploring the benefits of collaborative online international learning.* First joint symposium between Faculty of Theology, Stellenbosch University & NLA University College. Theme of symposium: *Theology as a Glocal Learning Community: Teaching and learning theology in crisis:* **Stellenbosch University.** 5 April 2022
- 2022 Homiletical competencies for the Fourth Industrial Revolution: South African perspectives on speaking truth to power. Conference theme: Preaching toward truth. Societas Homiletica 15th International Conference, **Budapest**, **Hungary**. 12-17 August 2022

# <u>National</u>

- 1999 *'n Postliberale venster op die preek (A post-liberal window on preaching).* Paper presented at the Society for Practical Theology in South Africa. 22-26 January 1999. University of the Western Cape, Bellville.
- 2008 *Come over to Macedonia and help us.* Paper presented at a conference with the theme: "Missionary perspectives in the New Testament". February 2008. Communitas, Bellville.
- 2008 *Service learning and practical theology: Birds of a feather?* Paper presented at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Scholarship of Teaching and Learning conference (SOTL). 20-21 May 2008. Somerset West.
- 2008 *Leaders lost in transition: A case study in leadership, ritual and social capital.* Paper presented at the first meeting of the NRF approved project: "Religious ritual and social capital formation". May 2008. Communitas, Stellenbosch.
- 2008 *Uitdagings vir die kerk in Afrika. (Challenges for the church in Africa.)* Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Service group for Congregational Development of the DRC. October 2008. Kempton Park.
- 2009 *Leadership in Acts through a social capital lens.* Paper presented at a conference about Acts in The New Testament: "The Missionary Church in Acts". May 2009. Stellenbosch.

- 2009 *Qou Vadis? Practical theology*. Paper presented at the Quo Vadis Conference organised by the Faculty of Theology, SU. May 2009. Stellenbosch.
- 2009 Die toekoms van Praktiese Teologie: Enkele aspekte van 'n teodramatiese benadering. (The future of Practical Theology: Some aspects of a theodramatic approach.) Paper presented at the Joint Conference of Theological Academic Societies in South Africa. June 2009. Stellenbosch.
- 2009 *Teologie en films: Nuwe moontlikhede vir onderrig in Praktiese Teologie (Theology and films: New possibilities for teaching in Practical Theology.)* Paper presented at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Scholarship for Teaching and Learning conference (SOTL). 10-11 May 2009. Somerset West.
- 2009 A "healing of memories workshop": Read through the lenses of Victor Turner's postmodern theory of social drama. Paper presented at a conference on: Revisiting ritual and social drama: Symposium on the intellectual legacy of Victor Turner (1920-1983). 26-27 October 2009. Arts and Social Sciences. Stellenbosch.
- 2010 *Practical theology as "healing of memories": Critical reflections on a specific methodology.* Paper presented at the Society for Practical Theology. 21-22 January 2010. University of Pretoria.
- 2010 Enkele aspekte van teorie-praktyk integrasie in Praktiese Teologie 114. (Some aspects of theory-practice integration in Practical Theology 114.) Paper presented at the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Scholarship of Teaching and Learning conference (SOTL). 11-12 May 2010. Stellenbosch.
- 2011 Vermengde leer: Innovering in die onderrig van praktiese teologie aan voorgraadse studente. (Blended learning: Innovation in the teaching of practical theology to undergraduate students.) Paper presented at the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Scholarship of Teaching and Learning conference (SOTL). 11-12 May 2011. Somerset West.
- 2012 *Exploring notions of critical citizenship at Stellenbosch University.* Paper presented at the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Scholarship of Teaching and Learning conference (SOTL). 22-23 May 2012. Somerset West.
- 2012 Sleutelmomente in die verhaal van Praktiese Teologie in Suid-Afrika: Refleksie aan die hand van Sosiale Identiteitsteorie.(Key moments in the story of Practical Theology in South Africa: Reflection according to Social Identity Theory. Paper presented at the annual Joint Conference of Theological Academic Societies in South Africa. 18-22 June 2012. Pietermaritzburg.
- 2013 *Practical theology and service delivery.* Annual conference of the Society for Practical Theology in South Africa. Present a paper with the title: *Service delivery in Belhar? Leadership challenges between the real and the ideal.* 21-23 January 2013. North West University, Potchefstroom, South Africa.
- 2013 *"Transforming and Liberating Spiritualties in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: Christianity in dialogue with.."* Annual conference of the South African Missiological Society, 13-15 March 2013. Present a paper with the title: *Building missional leadership and spiritual formation: Practical theological perspectives on a new Master's Programme.* Stellenbosch, South Africa.
- 2013 *Women and Leadership: Reflection on Gender, Religion and Education*. Conference of the UWC chapter of the circle of concerned African women theologians. Friday 16 August 2013: UWC Library Auditorium. Present a paper with the title: *Women in leadership? Perspectives from Post Graduate Diploma in Theology-students through the lenses of Social Identity.* Belhar, South Africa.
- 2014 *Keeping head above water: The role of religious leadership in a polluted context.* Paper presented at Annual conference of the Society for Practical Theology in South Africa. Theme of conference: *Practical theology and human waste.* 22-24 January 2014. University of Pretoria, South Africa.
- 2014 A movement seeking appropriate forms of Christian gathering and worship other than through congregational structures: An exploration of Fresh Expressions. Paper delivered as part of an invitation to participate in a think tank on: *"Ecclesial reform / deform movements"*, Friday 28 March 2014. The Department of Religion and Theology at UWC.

- 2014 A model for graduate attribute (GA) implementation in a Master of Divinity programme.
  Paper presented at the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Scholarship of Teaching and Learning conference (SOTL).
  28-29 October 2015. Protea Hotel, Stellenbosch.
- 2015 *The end of leadership? The shift of power in local congregations.* Paper presented at the Annual conference of the Society for Practical Theology in South Africa. Theme of conference: *The power of religion and religions of power.* Bloemfontein, 21-23 January 2015.
- 2015 *Gaining speed for the second hurdle: Integrating Graduate Attributes in a Master of Divinity Programme.* Paper presented at the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Scholarship of Teaching and Learning conference (SOTL). 27-28 October 2015. Spier Conference Centre, Stellenbosch.
- 2016 *Listening to past voices: Perceptions of an alumni cohort on their learning experiences at the Faculty of Theology (2006-2011).* Paper presented at the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Scholarship of Teaching and Learning conference (SOTL). 25-26 October 2015. Lord Charles, Somerset West.
- 2017 Photos must fall! Reforming contested spaces for doing theology. Paper presented at the Annual conference of the Society for Practical Theology in South Africa. Stellenbosch, 18-20 January 2017. Theme of conference: *Decolonizing practical theology in South Africa*.
- 2019 *"Show me don't tell me": Developing a competency framework for a Master of Divinity.* Paper presented at the Annual conference of the Society For Practical Theology in South Africa. Potchefstroom, North West University. Theme of the conference: *Towards a public practical theology through transformative education.* 18-20 January 2019.
- 2022 Listening to engaged and dynamic voices: Perceptions of an alumni cohort on their learning experiences at the Faculty of Theology (SU). Paper presented at the Annual conference of the Society of Practical Theology in South Africa. Bloemfontein, Free State. Theme of the conference:
- 2022 *Congregational spirituality: Faith formation in and through the congregation.* Paper delivered at a conference at Stellenbosch University with the theme: *Mirror & Windows: Reflecting on the Reformed Tradition today.* 17-19 October 2022.
- 2022 Faith communities and the Anthropocene: some practical theological reflections. Paper delivered at the Annual Consultation of Stellenbosch University (SU)-University of the Western Cape (UWC)-Protestant Theological University (PThU). Theme: Ownership and space in times of the Anthropocene. 26-28 October 2022.

# EDITORIAL AND EXECUTIVE BOARDS

- 2013- Serve on editorial board of the Internation Journal: Rural Theology as the South African respresentative
- 2018- Serve on the Executive Board of the Societas Homiletica (Society of Homiletics) as African representative
- 2022- Serve as general secretary on the Ececutive Board of Societas Homiletica (Society of Homiletics)

# POSTGRADUATE SUPERVISION

# **Doctoral students**

- 2010 Lukas Soko (Co-promoter with Prof JH Hendriks): A Practical Theological Assessment of the Schisms in the Reformed Church in Zambia (1996-2001).
- 2011 Brian MacAllen (Co-promoter with Prof JH Hendriks): A Post-foundationalist approach towards doing Practical Theology: A critical comparison of paradigms.
- 2013 Bob Stauffacher (Promoter): Christian Leadership in a Malawian Context: A practical theological evaluation of African Bible College (graduates).
- 2014 Phoebe Chifungo (Promoter): *Women in the CCAP Nkhoma Synod (Malawi): A Practical Theological study of their leadership roles.*

- 2017 Hein Wiegand (Promoter): Evangelisasie deur sport en rekreasiebediening: 'n Praktiesteologiese ondersoek.
- 2019 Ben Aldous (Promoter): Towards an assessment of Fresh Expressions of Church in ACSA (Anglican Church of Southern Africa) through an ethnographic study of The community Supper at St Peter's in Mowbray, Cape Town.
- 2020 Thys du Toit (Promoter): Op soek na Gereformeerde Roepings-verstaan binne 'n Post-Apartheid Suid-Afrika: 'n Prakties-Teologiese Ondersoek met die oog op Lidmaat-Begeleiding.
- 2023 Jan Oberholster (Promoter): Om die evangelie in jou eie taal te sien: Ervarings van uitsluiting van dowe persone in 'n gemeentelike konteks 'n gevallestudie.
- 2023 Sam Gakpetor (Promoter): An Evaluation of the Impact of Disciple-making on Work Ethic of Ghanaian Christians: A Case Study of The Church of Pentecost-Ghana.

# Master students

- 2008 Dong-Su Choi. Laity Education through Church Growth Strategies in a Korean Presbyterian Church.
- 2009 Hyun Wu Jang. "More than numbers": Church Growth in (three) South Korean Churches.
- 2010 Anje Mathee. 'n Prakties-teologiese ondersoek na die impak van kategese opleiding op die lewe van jongmense binne die NG Gemeentes van Kraaifontein.
- 2010 Clive Rademeyer. Investigation of the disappearance of youth parishioners from active participation in congregational worship activities immediately after their confirmation at URC Scottsdene.
- 2010 Robert William Stauffacher. Intercultural teaching: A Critical Analysis of the African Bible College in Malawi.
- 2011 Erick du Toit. Die musiek van Hillsong: 'n Prakties-teologiese ondersoek na die bruikbaarheid van die kerk se musiek binne die Gereformeerde Tradisie.
- 2011 Marius Gertzen. 'n Prakties-teologiese studie oor die wese en funksie van leierskap in Nederduitse Gereformeerde Kerk gemeentes met spesifieke verwysing na die wese en funksie van die voorsitter van Kerkraadsvergaderings.
- 2011 Marietjie Hanekom. Die Kerk en armoedeverligting in Suider-Afrika: 'n Nuwe perspektief?
- 2012 André Agenbag. *Missionale leierskap: 'n Kritiese analise van Robert Doornenbal se bydrae tot die ontluikende missionale gesprek.*
- 2012 Niel Meyer. Playing with God on the worship stage: Developing missional communities through their participation in the Theodrama of worship.
- 2012 Mizelle Mienie. *Op soek na God buite die kerk?* 'n Prakties-teologiese studie.
- 2013 Jaco Theron. *Ministers (preachers) as co-creators of social identity: A practical theological approach.*
- 2013 Ian Hawkridge. *Missional worship in small congregations: Re-discovering that God is both the subject and object of worship.*
- 2013 Rudolph Grobler. *An exploration of fresh expression as missional church: A practical theological study.*
- 2014 Elbert de Kock. Ontluikende leierskap: 'n Kritiese analise van Nelus Niemandt se bydrae met betrekking tot die proses van onderskeiding binne die leierskap diskoers in die Nederduits-Gereformeerde Kerk.
- 2014 Deon Els. 'n Praktiese Teologiese studie oor geloofsbegeleiding as geestelike ruimte vir jongmense in 'n plattelandse gemeente.
- 2014 Walter Schwär. A Critical Analysis of the Concept 'Transformation' In the Works of Darrel L. Guder.
- 2014 Suzelle Prinsloo. Ekklesia: Bring ek hoop of kritiek?
- 2015 Johannes Herter. In this land, but not of this land: An exploration of the problems of a settler church to be missional.

- 2016 Susan Mellows. A Practical Theological Interpretation of "The Filling Station" As A Fresh Expression Of Church For Consideration In The Local Congregational Context.
- 2017 Marietjie Steyn. Die rol van maaltye in die ontwikkeling van 'n missionale gemeente: 'n prakties-teologiese ondersoek.
- 2018 Ross van Niekerk. *The formation of church planters within Shofar Christian Church: A practical theological exploration*
- 2018 Charyn Myburgh. Die in/uitsluiting van die gestremdes in gemeentes: 'n Prakties-teologiese Studie
- 2019 Antoinette Matthee (Keeve): 'n Prakties-teologiese ondersoek na die rol van gemeenteleierskap in geloofsgemeenskappe met betrekking tot lidmate met gestremdhede
- 2019 Jakobus Visser. *The Narrative of The World Needs a Father: A Practical-theological evalutation*
- 2020 Ronald Kock: *Missional Church and their responsibility towards the poor: An appreciative enquiry into a local congregation*
- 2021 Divan Vrey: A case for anticipatory leadership: Christian eschatology and anticipation as a leadership competency for ministers in an 'age of perplexity'
- 2022 Anoeska de Villiers: *Women leadership in a young charismatic movement: A Practical theological exploration*
- 2022 Keletso Yende: An Exploratory Study of Women Leadership in the South African Charismatic Church Through an African Women Practical Theology Lens

## TEACHING

## Coordinate and teach in the following programmes

- **Practical Theology and Missiology 112:** Sole lecturer of this module which serves as an introduction to Practical Theology and is compulsory for all first year Theology students.
- **Practical Theology 262:** Sole lecturer of this second year module as an introduction to Ministerial Practice.
- **Practical Theology 413:** Lectures the first part of the programme on New trends in Practical Theology
- *Master's in Divinity (MDiv):* Coordinates the programme and teaches various modules including an introduction to practical-theological methodology, a practical-theological ecclesiology and transformational leadership. Also responsible for "Healing of Memories" and "Dealing with diversity" workshops.
- **Postgraduate Diploma in Theology in Church Ministry (previously Licentiate):** Coordinates programme and work closely with partner churches to prepare students for the ministry. Organise annual Ecumenical Tour to visit different parts of the country and different denominations, non-government organisations and faith-based organisations.
- Master's in Theology (MTh) Practical Theology with a specific focus on missional formation and leadership development: Academic coordinator of the programme and teach a module about practical-theological methodology. Also responsible for academic assessment of the programme.
- **Post Graduate Research Forum** Interactive lectures on Developing a Practical Theology Framework from which we conduct our research – annual lectures

## **VISITING LECTURER**

- 2010 UFS: Lecture as part of the MDiv programme in leadership. Lecture as part of *Sheperd's* programme (continued theological training).
- 2012 Umea University, Sweden: Lecture at research colloquium for postgraduate students. Lecture in three programmes for under and postgraduate students.
- 2012 UFS: Lecture as part of the MDiv programme in leadership. Lecture as part of Sheperd's

programme (continued theological training).

- 2014 UFS: Lecture as part of the MDiv programme in leadership as well as to the fourth year group on missional leadership.
- 2015 University of Zurich: Lecture in a post-graduate seminar on the state of Practical Theology in South Africa
- 2019 Protestant Theological University (Amsterdam): Lecture as part of the development of their Master of Divinity-program.

## **COMMUNITY INTERACTION**

#### Service learning

2007 Received training in service learning in 2007 (*Service-Learning Capacity Building Programme (SLCBP) for Academic Staff)* (cf. Certificate of Participation in addendum). Practical Theology and Missiology 112 is formally registered as a service learning module at the university. Church partners are approached with a view to finding mentors to assist students. A complete programme of community involvement forms part of the module outline.

## URDR – Unit for Religion and Development Research

2009 – 2010 Director of URDR. During this period the unit was re-awarded flagship status by SU Community Interaction division.

## **Spirituality Committee**

2009 - 2022 Member of the Faculty of Theology Spirituality Committee. Since February 2011 I became coordinator of the weekly chapel services.

#### Programme Advisory Committee (PAC)

2012 - 2023 Represent the Faculty of Theology on the SU's Programme Advisory Committee.

#### First Year's Academy

- 2008 2010 Represent the Faculty of Theology on the SU's First Year's Academy and participate in various activities pertaining to first years' orientation and integration.
- 2010 Present paper to the First Year's Academy regarding innovation of teaching in Practical Theology and Missiology 112.

## Programme Committee

- 2008 2023 Serve on the Faculty of Theology's Programme Committee, which deals with teaching and learning, and was in charge of the re-curriculation process. Personally responsible for the re-curriculation of Practical Theology and Missiology 112 and the MDiv programme.
- 2013 Acting chair for the year in the place of a colleague on sabbatical leave.
- 2017 2019 Chair of committee

## **Teaching and Learning Committee**

2008 - 2010 Chairperson of the Teaching and Learning Committee which oversees teaching and learning of first year students.

## Department of Practical Theology and Missiology

- 2015 Acting chair of the discipline group during study leave of appointed chair
- 2020 2023 Chair of the discipline group Practical Theology and Missiology

## **Recreation Committee**

2010 – 2017 Chairperson of the committee organising Faculty team building and recreational events.

## **Ecumenical Tours**

2009 - 2023 Organise the annual Ecumenical Tour for students doing the Postgraduate Diploma in Theology in Church Ministry. The tour includes visiting various church denominations (ecumenical relations), non-government organisations, factories and community projects. The exposure is important for theory-praxis integration of students.

#### Joint Board of Lecturers (DRC and URC)

2007 - 2013 Scribe of board

#### **General Curatorium of the DR Church**

2012 - 2020 Serve on the General Curatorium of the DR Church which oversees theological training of all DRC ministry students.

## DRC Research task team

2013 - 2019 Serve on the task team for research of the Dutch Reformed Church undertaking Research in different areas of congregational life

#### Communitas and Ekklesia

2007 - 2023 Serve on the boards of Communitas en Ekklesia centres for continued training and support of ministers on behalf of Practical Theology and Missiology, directly involved in Ekklesia research.

#### **Continued Ministry Formation (Courses at Communitas and Ecclesia)**

- 2005 May Co-present course on Preaching.
- 2006 June Co-present course on Preaching.
- 2011 May Co-present course on Preaching.
- 2012 April Co-present course on the Pathos of Preaching.
- 2014 Aug Co-presenter of advanced certificate in ministerial formation
- 2014 Sept Co-present course on the Pathos of Preaching.

#### Public lectures, appearances and media interviews

- 2007 May Radio interview on RSG in a programme on "family values" on a programme called "Kruis en Dwars".
- 2008 Oct Uitdagings vir die kerk in Afrika (Challenges for the church in Africa.) presented to the General Service Group for Congregational Development of the DR Church's annual meeting in Kempton Park, Gauteng.
- 2009 Oct Radio interview with Rev. Jannie Pelser from Radio Pulpit on the topic "praying for rain" on a programme called "Brandpunt".
- 2010 May *Branches of the mustard tree,* key presentation to Moravian Church in South Africa, District Two, Annual district conference, 14-15 May 2010, Salt River, Cape Town.
- 2010 Oct Skep vandag herinneringe vir more (Create memories for tomorrow today) at the annual meeting of the Synodical Committee for Service and Witness in the Western Cape, Durbanville.
- 2011 Mar Radio interview on RSG on the topic of "the interpretation of important concepts in faith" on a programme called "Kruis en Dwars".
- 2011 Jun *Die spiritualiteit van leierskap (The spirituality of leadership),* five presentations at Annual Ministers' Conference of the Eastern Synod of the DR Church, 13-16 June 2011, Kruger National Park.

2011 Aug	Kwesbare Leierskap: Potloodstrepe oor die spiritualiteit van leierskap (Vulnerable Leadership: pencil stripes about the spirituality of leadership), to the Stellenbosche Studiekring. 2 August 2011, Stellenbosch.
2013 July	Radio interview with Lynette Francis of RSG on a programme called "praat saam" on RSG concerning the doping scandal around Lance Armstrong.
2013 Oct	Godsdienstige leierskap en sosiale transformasie in Arika (Religious leadership and social transformation in Africa) to the Stellenbosche Studiekring. 8 Oct 2013, Stellenbosch.
2014 Aug	Radio interview of 30 mintues on the tragedy in Nigeria concerning the church of the prophet Joshua on "independent churches" Cape FM.
2014 Sep	Radio interview with Lizelle de Bruin on "alternative forms of church services" with the "sermon of the layperson" as a case in point.
2015 Jan	Week of renewal: DRC Wellington-East – series of sermons on Christian identity.
2017 Mar	Woordfees – "Shift happens" – back to the classroom.
2017 May	Pentecost week – Sonstraal congregation, Durbanville.
2018 May	Pentecost week – Suidkus congregation, Amanzimtoti.
2022 May	Pentecost week – Groot Brakrivier congregation, Mosselbay.

#### CONTINUTED RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT

- 1996 *ATKV Writing School*: Autumn School for Writers. Potchefstroom University for Christian Higher Education. 10-13 April 1996.
- 2007 *"Healing of Memories"* workshop by Father Michael Lapsley, 1-3 June 2007, Betty's Bay.
- 2007 PRONTAK workshop (professional development of academics), 16-19 July 2007, Stanford.
- 2007 Workshop by Centre for Teaching and Learning about the use of *Web Studies*, July 2007, Stellenbosch.
- 2007 Workshop and training: *Die hantering van konflik (Dealing with conflict)*. Community Facilitation Network (CFN). Presented by BUVTON, October 2007, Stellenbosch.
- 2007 *Service learning course* by SU Community Interaction division, using PT114 and registering it as service learning module. Receive certificate for successful completion of course, August to November 2007, Stellenbosch.
- 2008 NRF Round Table Discussions: "Theological, religious and related studies as a strategic partner in South African research priorities: Critically reflecting on current performance and the challenges for innovation", October 2008, Stellenbosch.
- 2010 Workshop presented by Centre for Teaching and Learning (Dr JP Bosman) about *Podcasting* as teaching and learning tool, April 2010, Stellenbosch.
- 2010 Research workshop by Ms Christel Troskie-de Bruin: *Qualitative research: Requirements for post-graduate study projects,* 17-19 May 2010, Stellenbosch.
- 2011 Research workshop by African Doctoral Academy on *Qualitative research methods* specifically the use of Atlas.ti as CAQDAS (Computer Assisted Qualitative Data Analysis Software), 27 June to 1 July 2011, Stellenbosch.
- 2011 Workshop presented by Centre for Teaching and Learning (Dr JP Bosman) about the new *Blackboard*, 9 September 2011, Stellenbosch.
- 2011 Workshop present by SU Writing School: *Helping students with thesis writing,* 24-25 October 2011, Stellenbosch.
- 2012 Workshop presented by Centre for Teaching and Learning (Ms Riana Coetzee): *Writing proposals for research grants,* 22 February 2012, Stellenbosch.
- 2012 Workshop presented by the Division for Research Development (Ms Lizél Kleingbiel): *Research Interactive Workshop (Research Africa)*, 14 March 2012, Stellenbosch.
- 2012 Workshop presented by Division for Research Development on applying for *NRF-rating*, 11 September 2012, Stellenbosch.
- 2013 Blended learning short course. *Centre for Learning Technologies*. Oct-Nov. Stellenbosch.

- 2014 A Seboka on Transforming Education through Technological Innovation. STIAS. Stellenbosch University. 25-26 March 2014, Stellenbosch.
- 2014 Workshop on e-assessment for learning facilitated by Magda Ritzen, a blended learning education expert from the Netherlands. *Centre for Learning Technologies.* 7 April 2014, Stellenbosch.
- 2014 Workshop on *Developing Institutional Leadership for the Scholarship of Teaching & Learning* (*SoTL*) by Harry Hubball, University of British Columbia. Present to us the International Faculty SoTL Leadership Program: UBC Certificate on Curriculum & Pedagogy in Higher Education 20 November 2014.
- 2014 Workshop presented by Division for Research Development: *Escaping from the ivory tower: Media skills for research scientists*. 1 December 2014, Lanzerac Hotel, Stellenbosch.
- 2015 Workshop presented by Division for Research Development on applying for *NRF-rating*, 5 March 2015, Stellenbosch.
- 2016 Workshop presented by Transformation Office: *Embracing a new normal at Stellenbosch University*, Skills for Staff, 18-20 May, Erfurt-house, Stellenbosch.
- 2018 Workshop presented by Division for Research Development on making use of Camtasia to record your lectures, 5 November 2018.