### F. DAVID FARNELL, Ph.D.

## Professor of New Testament

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#### PERSONAL

Conversion

Experience: Both my wife and I received Jesus

Christ as Savior while young children. I was seven years old, and Sandy was

eight.

Denominational

Affiliation: Bible church; independent; but we are open to many de-

nominations that would reflect an interest in strong Bible

teaching and adherence/faithfulness to God's Word.

Hobbies: Because of my active schedule, my main (only) hobby cur-

rently is jogging.

# STRENGTHS/GIFTS ABILITIES

My spiritual gifts are teaching, preaching and organizational skills. I tend to be a "big picture" person (i.e., not a micro-manager) who enjoys being a team-player with delegation of responsibility to others on the team allowing each freedom to develop their own part of the organizational pattern within Scriptural specifications. Along with an emphasis on sound doctrine, the "body-life" concept of each using their spiritual gifts to mature the body is the most effective way of maturing the church (Eph. 4:7-16). My style of ministry makes special emphasis on a Scripturally-based compassionate, loving approach toward problems that can arise among a flock, using Jesus' style of ministry as a model

#### **EDUCATION**

PhD<sup>1</sup> 1990 Dallas Theological Seminary New Testament
 ThM 1984 Talbot School of Theology New Testament
 MDiv 1981 Talbot School of Theology Diversified
 BA 1978 Christian Heritage College Biblical Studies

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Converted from ThD in 1993.

#### **HONORS**

Graduate: Graduated with Highest Honors (ThM)

Outstanding Young Men of America (1984)

Systematic Theology Award (1981) Biola University/President's Rotary-Club Award for Academic Achievement (1981) Kappa Tau Epsilon Honor Society (1984)

*Undergraduate*: Graduated summa cum laude

#### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2007- Professor of New Testament	The Master's Seminary
2005- NT Coordinator, D.Min. Program	The Master's Seminary
1997- Associate Professor of NT	The Master's Seminary
1996-1997 Div. of Bib. Studies/Chair	Southeastern Bible College
1994-1997 Academic Dean	Southeastern Bible College
1991-1994 Chair, Pastoral Theology	Southeastern Bible College
1991-1997 Associate Professor	Southeastern Bible College
1986-1990 Doctoral Studies	Dallas Theological Seminary

#### TEACHING EXPERIENCE (cont.)

1984-1986	Instructor/Biblical Studies	Christian Heritage College
1985-1986	Registrar	Christian Heritage College
1984	Instructor of Bible Exp.	Talbot School of Theology
1983-1984	Instructor of NT	Talbot School of Theology

#### MINISTRY EXPERIENCE

Oct. 2004—Present	Pastor—Grace Bible Church (gracebconline.org)
June 2002-Oct. 2004	Associate Pastor-Oxnard First Baptist Church
April 2001-May 26 2002	Interim Pastor—Little Rock Bible Church
1997-April, 2000	Pastor—Berean Baptist Church
1992-1997	Pastor—Brook Highland Community Church
1981-1984	Pastor—South Bay Bible Community Church

ORDINATION 1993 Brook Highland Community Church Birmingham, Alabama 35242

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

Forthcoming: Co-edited with Dr. Norman Geisler, and contributed articles to, *The Jesus Quest, The Danger from Within* (2013).

"Three Searches for the 'Historical Jesus' but No Biblical Christ (Part 1): The Rise of the Searches," *The Master's Seminary Journal Spring* 23/1 (Spring 2012) 7-42.

"Three Searches for the 'Historical Jesus' But No Biblical Christ (Part 2): Evangelicals Participation in the Search for the 'Historical Jesus,'" *The Master's Seminary Journal* 24/1 (Spring 2013) 25-67.

Co-Author with Dr. Norman L. Geisler, "A Critical Review of Donald Hagner's 'Ten Guidelines for Evangelical Scholarship," *Journal for the International Society of Christian Apologetics* 6/1 (April 2013) 179-206. and an updated version of this same article in *The Master's Seminary Journal* Spring 2014; "Searching for the Historical Jesus: Does History Repeat Itself," *Journal of the International Society of Christian Apologetics* 3/1 (2010) 83-107.

"Searching for the Historical Jesus: Does History Repeat Itself?" *Journal of the International Society of Christian Apologetics* (3/1) 2010: 83-107 reflecting an abbreviated version of "DOES THE EVANGELICAL SEARCH FOR THE "HISTORICAL JESUS" DEMONSTRATE THE MODERNIST FUNDAMENTALIST BATTLE OF HISTORY REPEATING ITSELF?" *International Society of Christian Apologetics*, April 23-24, 2010, in Ft. Worth at SWBTS."

"Introduction, History and Presuppositions of the New Perspective on Paul," *The Master's Seminary Journal*, 17/2 Spring 2005.

"The Independence View of Gospel Origins" in *Three Views on Origins of the Synoptic Gospels* (Kregel, 2002).

"The Impact of Views of Inspiration on Modern Approaches to the Synoptic Problem." *The Master's Seminary Journal*. 13:1 (Spring 2002): 33-64.

"The Synoptic Gospels in the Ancient Church: A Testimony to the Priority of Matthew's Gospel." *The Master's Seminary Journal*, vol. 10 (Spring 1999): 53-86.

Co-Author/Co-Editor— *The Jesus Crisis: How Much Will Evangelicals Surrender?* (Kregel, 1998)

Participated in the *MacArthur Study Bible* (i.e. developed notes on the Gospel of John and 1-3 John) Word Publications, Nashville, TN

"When Will the Gift of Prophecy Cease?," in *Vital Contemporary Issues*, vol. 2, Edited by Roy B. Zuck. Grand Rapids: Kregel, 1994.

Bibliotheca Sacra. "Is the Gift of Prophecy for Today? (4 parts)
Part 1: "The Current Debate about New Testament
Prophecy (July-September 1992): 277-303.

Part 2: "The Gift of Prophecy in the Old and New Testaments" (October-December 1992): 387-410.

Part 3: "Does the New Testament Teach Two Prophetic Gifts?" (January-March 1993): 62-88.

Part 4: "When Will the Gift of Prophecy Cease?" (April-June 1993): 171-202.

*The Master's Seminary Journal*. "Fallible New Testament Prophecy/Prophets? A Critique of Wayne Grudem's Hypothesis." (Fall 1991): 157-179.