

# CURRICULUM VITAE

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## **Personal Background**

Born: July 26, 1963  
Spouse: Amy Spiegel  
Children: Bailey, Samuel, Magdalene, and Andrew

## **Education**

**Ph.D., Michigan State University**, Lansing, Michigan, 1993. Philosophy.  
Major area: History of Modern Philosophy; Minor area: Ethics  
Dissertation: *The Apologetics of George Berkeley*, Charles McCracken, director

**M.A., University of Southern Mississippi**, Hattiesburg, Mississippi, 1988. Philosophy.  
Thesis: "The Complex Nature of Evaluative Terms in Some of Their Uses"

**B.S., Belhaven College**, Jackson, Mississippi, 1985. Biology.

## **Teaching Positions**

**Taylor University**, Professor of Philosophy and Religion (2003-present)  
**Taylor University**, Associate Professor of Philosophy and Religion (1998-2003)  
**Taylor University**, Assistant Professor of Philosophy and Religion (1993-1998)  
**Moorhead State University**, Instructor of Philosophy (1992-1993)

## **Teaching Experience**

**Regular Courses:** History of Ancient and Medieval Philosophy, Contemporary Moral Issues, Principles of Ethics, Aesthetics, Philosophy of Religion, Philosophy of Mind, Contemporary Christian Belief

**Other Courses:** Introduction to Philosophy, Logic, Medical Ethics, Epistemology, American Philosophy, History of Modern Philosophy, Feminist Philosophy, Existentialism, Philosophy in Literature, Phenomenology of Religion, History of Baseball in America

## **Professional Scholarly Organizations—Past and Present**

- *American Philosophical Association*
- *American Scientific Affiliation*
- *Association of Practical and Professional Ethics*
- *Evangelical Philosophical Society*
- *International Berkeley Society*
- *Society of Christian Philosophers*

## **Blog and Website**

- Wisdom and Folly (<http://wisdomandfollyblog.com/>) – personal blog, authored with Amy Spiegel
- JimSpiegel.com (<http://jimspiegel.com/>) – personal website

## **Publications**

### **Books:**

- *Idealism and Christianity, Vol. 1: Idealism and Christian Theology*, edited with Joshua Farris and S. Mark Hamilton (Bloomsbury Press, forthcoming in 2016)
- *Idealism and Christianity, Vol. 2: Idealism and Christian Philosophy*, edited with Steven B. Cowan (Bloomsbury Press, forthcoming in 2016)
- *Faithful Learning in Philosophy* (P&R Publications, 2014)
- *The Making of An Atheist: How Immorality Leads to Unbelief* (Moody Publications, 2010)
- *The Love of Wisdom: A Christian Introduction to Philosophy*, co-authored with Steven B. Cowan (B&H Press, 2009)
- *Gum, Geckos, and God: A Family's Adventure in Space, Time, and Faith* (Zondervan Press, 2008) [Audio edition, 2009; Korean edition, translated by Seon-gyu Gang (Sallim Publishing Co., 2010)]
- *Faith, Film, and Philosophy: Big Ideas on the Big Screen*, co-edited with R. Douglas Geivett (InterVarsity Press, 2007)
- *The Benefits of Providence: A New Look at Divine Sovereignty* (Crossway Books, 2005)
- *How to be Good in a World Gone Bad: Living a Life of Christian Virtue* (Kregel Press, 2004)
- *Hypocrisy: Moral Fraud and Other Vices* (Baker Books, 1999) [Portuguese edition, translated by Luiz Felipe Coimbra Ribeiro (Textus Press, 2002)]

## Scholarly Journal Articles and Book Chapters:

- “Berkeley,” a chapter in *Christianity and the Modern Philosophers* (Zondervan, forthcoming in 2014)
- “Beauty: A Troubling Reality for the Scientific Naturalist” (co-authored with R. Douglas Geivett), a chapter in *The Naturalness of Belief: New Essays on Theism's Reasonability* (publisher TBD)
- “Moral Heresy,” *Philosophia Christi*, Vol. 15, No. 2 (Winter, 2013)
- “Growing Wise: Resources for Nourishing the Supreme Virtue,” *Journal of Spiritual Formation and Soul Care*, Vol. 6, No. 2 (Fall, 2013)
- “Why Flatulence is Funny,” *Think: Philosophy for Everyone*, Vol. 12, Issue 35 (September, 2013)
- “The Irenaean Soul-Making Theodicy,” a chapter in *God and Evil: The Case for God in a World Filled with Pain* (InterVarsity, 2013)
- “Augustine, Evolution, and Scientific Methodology,” a chapter in *Augustine and Science* (Lexington, 2013)
- “Open-mindedness and Religious Devotion,” *Sophia: International Journal of Philosophy and Traditions*, Vol. 52, No. 1 (April, 2012)
- “Open-mindedness and Intellectual Humility,” *Theory and Research in Education*, Vol. 10, Issue 1 (March, 2012)
- “The Virtue of Wisdom,” a chapter in *Being Good: Christian Virtues for Everyday Life* (Eerdmans, 2011)
- “On Free Will and Soul-Making: Complementary Approaches to the Problem of Evil,” *Philosophia Christi*, Vol. 13, No. 2 (Winter, 2011)
- “Descartes,” “Divine Providence,” “Fasting,” “Fruit of the Spirit,” “George Berkeley,” “Hypocrisy,” “Openness Theology,” and “Virtue,” articles in the *Encyclopedia of Christian Civilization* (Wiley-Blackwell, 2011)
- “Berkeley’s Immaterialism,” an introductory note in *Themes in Ancient and Modern Philosophy* (Kendall-Hunt, 2009)
- “Dialogue and Disagreement After 9/11” (co-authored with Ryan Pflum), a chapter in *The Impact of 9/11 on Religion and Philosophy: The Day that Changed Everything?* (Palgrave Macmillan, 2009)
- “What Would Have Been and What Could Be: Counterfactuals in *It’s a Wonderful Life* and *Run Lola Run*,” a chapter in *Faith, Film and Philosophy* (InterVarsity, 2007)
- “Getting Better: The Beatles and Virtue Ethics,” a chapter in *The Beatles and Philosophy* (Open Court, 2006)
- “With God (and Augustine and Socrates) on Our Side,” a chapter in *Bob Dylan and Philosophy* (Open Court, 2005)
- “Teaching the Art of Disagreement at the Christian College,” *Growth* (Spring, 2004)
- “Humility as Moral Irony,” *Logos: A Journal of Catholic Thought and Culture*, Vol. 6, No. 1 (Winter, 2003)
- “Does God Take Risks?” chapter in *God Under Fire: Modern Scholarship Reinvents God* (Zondervan Press, 2002)
- “The Philosophical Theology of Theistic Evolutionism,” *Philosophia Christi*, Series II, Vol. 4, No. 1 (Summer, 2002)
- “Can a Christian be Coherently Both Morally Pro-life and Politically Pro-choice?”

*Christian Scholar's Review*, Vol. 30, No. 1 (Fall, 2000)

- “Towards a New Aesthetic Vision for the Christian Liberal Arts College,” *Christian Scholar's Review*, Vol. 28, No. 3 (Spring, 1999)
- “The Christian Psychology of George Berkeley,” *Journal of Psychology and Christianity*, Vol. 17, No. 4 (Winter, 1998)
- “Aesthetics and Worship,” *The Southern Baptist Journal of Theology*, Vol. 2, No. 4 (Winter, 1998)
- “A Berkeleyan Approach to the Problem of Induction,” *Science and Christian Belief*, Vol. 10, No. 1 (April, 1998)
- “The Theological Orthodoxy of Berkeley's Immaterialism,” *Faith and Philosophy*, Vol. 13, No. 2 (April, 1996)
- “Socrates: A Messianic Type for the Gentiles,” *Philosophia Christi*, Series I, Vol. 18, No. 2 (Fall, 1995)

### **Magazine and Popular Journal Articles:**

- “The Blessing of Forgiveness and Wise Living: Meditations on Psalm 32,” *Soul & Spirit* (May, 2012)
- “Unreasonable Doubt,” *Christianity Today* (January, 2011)
- “Righteous Living in an Unrighteous Age,” *Taylor Magazine*, Vol. 101 (Fall, 2009)
- “Pressure Punctured” and “Mock Humor isn't the Real Thing” in *Men of Integrity* (September/October, 2009)
- “More Precious Than Rubies,” in the *Christian Counseling Connection* Newsletter, Vol. 16, Issue 3 (2009)
- “Gum, Geckos, and God: Talking About Faith with Your Kids” (an interview) in *Stand Firm* Vol. 14, No. 3 (March, 2009)
- “A Philosophical Case for Mind-Body Dualism,” *Areopagus Journal*, Vol. 8, issue 6 (November/December 2008)
- “Impress Them on Your Children: The Challenge of Teaching Our Kids About God,” *K Magazine* (November/December, 2008)
- “How to be Good in a World Gone Bad” (an interview) in *Stand Firm*, Vol. 13, No. 8 (August, 2008)
- “Theistic Evolution: A Reasonable Compromise?” *Areopagus Journal*, Vol. 5, No. 2 (May-June, 2005)
- “Good Art and Bad Art: What is the Difference?” *Areopagus Journal*, Vol. 4, No. 1 (January-February, 2004)
- “The Quest for Moral Integrity,” *Koinonia* (Fall, 2000)

### **On-Line Journal Articles**

- “The Light's Still Burning: A Review of Dylan's *Tempest*,” *Books and Culture* (March, 2013)
- “To Fight or Not to Fight: Approaching Gay Marriage in the Public Square,” *The Other Journal* (2004)
- “The Theological Aesthetic of *American Beauty*,” *Journal of Religion and Popular Culture*, Vol. 4 (Summer, 2003)
- “Advocating for the Devil: Hearing Al-Qaeda's Case Against the United States,”

*Journal of Religion and Society*, Vol. 5 (2003)

- “Cinematic Lessons in Christian Theology,” *Journal of Religion and Film*, Vol. 6, No. 2 (October, 2002)

### **Book Reviews:**

- “Taking Philosophy to the Masses: A Review of *Philosophy Bites* and *Philosophy Bites Back*,” *Books and Culture* (July/August, 2014) (forthcoming)
- Review of *The Beauty of the Infinite*, (by David Bentley Hart), *Christian Scholar’s Review*, Vol. 35, No. 2 (Winter, 2006)
- Review of *Good Eating* (by Stephen H. Webb) in *Encounter* Vol. 64, No. 3 (Summer, 2003)
- Review of *On God and Dogs*, (by Stephen H. Webb), *Christian Scholar’s Review*, Vol. 28, No. 4 (Summer, 1999)
- Review of *A Passion for Wisdom* (by R. C. Solomon and K. M. Higgins), *Teaching Philosophy*, Vol. 21, No. 4 (December, 1998)

### **Presentations at Professional Conferences**

- “The Making of an Atheist” and “A Cumulative Case for God,” plenary addresses at Apologetics.com Conference in Wheaton, IL (March, 2014)
- “Moral Heresy,” regional meeting of the Evangelical Philosophical Society (March, 2014)
- “Personal Open-mindedness as a Christian Virtue,” national meeting of the Evangelical Philosophical Society (November, 2013)
- “The Giubilini-Minerva Argument for ‘After-birth Abortion,’” national meeting of the Association for Practical and Professional Ethics (March, 2013)
- “Was Augustine a Proto-Evolutionist?” national meeting of the Evangelical Philosophical Society (November, 2012)
- “Open-mindedness and Christian Flourishing,” an invited lecture at the national meeting of the Society for Christian Psychology (October, 2012)
- “Belief, Behavior, and the Necessary Conditions for Salvation,” national meeting of the Evangelical Philosophical Society (November, 2011)
- “Open-mindedness and Intellectual Humility,” national meeting of the Association for Practical and Professional Ethics (March, 2011)
- “Open-mindedness and Religious Devotion,” national meeting of the Evangelical Philosophical Society (November, 2010)
- “The Making of an Atheist,” EPS Apologetics Conference at Johnson-Ferry Baptist Church in Marietta, Georgia (November, 2010)
- Commentary on presentation by Andrew Purves’ “Vicarious Agency: The Humanity of God in Our Place” at the national meeting of the Society for Christian Psychology (September, 2010)
- “Why Gay Marriage is Unjust,” national meeting of the Evangelical Philosophical Society (November, 2009)
- “An Anti-Naturalist Argument from Beauty” (with Doug Geivett), national meeting of the Evangelical Philosophical Society (November, 2009)

- “Human Suffering and Moral Growth,” meeting of the Society for Christian Psychology at the national meeting of the American Association of Christian Counselors (September, 2009)
- “Free Will and Soul-Making: Comparing Two Theodicies,” national meeting of the Evangelical Philosophical Society (November, 2008)
- “Do You Need a Brain to Think?: Some Implications of Near Death Experiences for Philosophy of Mind,” national meeting of the Evangelical Philosophical Society (November, 2007)
- “To Do the Good is to Know it: The Epistemic Ramifications of Behavior,” Eastern regional meeting of the Society of Christian Philosophers (April, 2007)
- Chaired panel discussion on “Consenting to God and Nature” national meeting of the Association for Practical and Professional Ethics (February, 2007)
- “To Do the Good is to Know it: The Epistemic Ramifications of Behavior,” national meeting of the Evangelical Philosophical Society (November, 2006)
- “Immorality in Art: When is it Justifiable?” a presentation at the annual meeting of the Association of Christians in Student Development (June, 2006)
- “Origins and Divine Providence,” an invited presentation for the University of Toledo’s Annual Conference in Contemporary Philosophy (April, 2006)
- “Beauty, Goodness, and Evil: When is Immorality in Art Aesthetically Warranted and Morally Justified?” national meeting of the Evangelical Philosophical Society (November, 2005)
- “Humility in Christianity and Islam” (with Winfried Corduan), national meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society (November, 2005)
- “Tools for Integrity: Training Students to Live up to their Faith,” annual meeting of the Association of Christians in Student Development (June, 2005)
- “Art and the Golden Rule: The Moral Significance of Nurturing an Aesthetic Sensibility,” Midwest meeting of the Society of Christian Philosophers (April, 2005)
- “Virtue Across the Paradigms,” keynote address at the 52<sup>nd</sup> annual Southeastern Undergraduate Philosophy Conference at Covenant College (February, 2005)
- “Art and the Golden Rule: The Moral Significance of Nurturing an Aesthetic Sensibility,” national meeting of the Evangelical Philosophical Society (November, 2004)
- “Freedom, Evil, and Divine Risk,” national meeting of the Evangelical Philosophical Society (November, 2002)
- “Philosophical Prolegomena to Any Future Contact with Extraterrestrial Intelligent Beings,” national meeting of the Association for Practical and Professional Ethics (March, 2002)
- “A Biblical Defense of Animal Rights,” national meeting of the Evangelical Philosophical Society (November, 2001)
- Chaired panel discussion on “Artificial Life, Artificial Ethics: Thoughts on ‘Why the Future Doesn’t Need Us’” at the national meeting of the Association for Practical and Professional Ethics (March, 2001)
- “Religious Skepticism and the Dilemma of Moral Outrage,” Mountain-Plains regional meeting of the Society of Christian Philosophers (September, 2000)
- “Turning the Problem of Consciousness Inside Out,” Eastern regional meeting of the Society of Christian Philosophers (May, 2000)

- “The Moral Skill of Self-Control,” national meeting of the Evangelical Philosophical Society (November, 1999)
- “The Philosophical Theology of Theistic Evolutionism,” national meeting of the Evangelical Philosophical Society (November, 1998)
- “Can a Christian be Coherently Morally Pro-life and Politically Pro-choice?” national meeting of the Evangelical Philosophical Society (November, 1997)
- “What Sort of Vice is Hypocrisy?” Central meeting of the Society of Christian Philosophers (April, 1997)
- “The Problem of Hypocrisy,” national meeting of the Evangelical Philosophical Society (November, 1995)
- “Theism and the Laws of Logic,” Central meeting of the Society of Christian Philosophers (April, 1995)
- “Ethical Paradigms and Moral Expertise,” Mountain meeting of the Society of Christian Philosophers (March, 1995)
- “Socrates: A Messianic Type for the Gentiles,” national meeting of the Evangelical Philosophical Society (November, 1993)
- “The Theological Orthodoxy of Berkeley’s Immaterialism,” Midwest Seminar in the History of Philosophy (March, 1993)
- “Berkeley on the Problem of Induction: His Anticipatory Reply to Hume,” Minnesota Philosophical Society (October, 1992)
- “Was Berkeley a Utilitarian?” the national meeting of the Philosophy Graduate Student Society (October, 1991)
- “A Note on ‘Is’ and ‘Ought,’” annual meeting of the Mississippi Philosophical Association (May, 1988)

## **Interviews and Podcasts**

- Podcast Interview with Glenn Peoples for the *Rethinking Hell* website (August, 2013)
- Radio Interview about *The Making of an Atheist* for “The Bob Dutko Show” on WMUZ in Detroit, MI (February, 2013)
- Podcast interview about *The Making of an Atheist* for “The Reformatory,” hosted by Ted Kluck and Ronnie Martin (June, 2011)
- Radio interview about *The Making of an Atheist* for “The John and Kathy Show” on WORD FM in Pittsburgh, PA (February, 2011)
- Radio interview about *The Making of an Atheist* for “LightLine” with Denise Wylie on WPOS in Holland, OH (November, 2010)
- Podcast interview (in three parts) about *The Making of an Atheist* for the atheist website “Tuesday Afternoon” (with transcript)—posted at 12Tuesday.com (October, 2010)
- Radio interview about *The Making of an Atheist* for “The Bottom Line” with Jeremy Wiggins—syndicated on 140 stations around the country (October, 2010)
- Radio interview about *The Making of an Atheist* for “The Al Kresta Show” in Toledo, OH; podcast interview for “Your Life Matters” (September, 2010)
- Radio interview about *The Making of an Atheist* for “Sound Reason,” syndicated on the American Family Radio network (June, 2010); “Mid-Morning with Char Binkley” on WBCL in Fort Wayne, IN (June, 2010)

- Radio interviews about *The Making of an Atheist*: “Mars Hill Radio Network”—syndicated on stations throughout upper New York and Southern Ontario, Canada (May, 2010); “Viewpoint” with Chuck Crismer—syndicated on the Information Radio Network in VA, CT, and NY (May, 2010); “The Debbie Chavez Show”—syndicated from Seattle, WA to Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada (May, 2010); “The Birga Alden Show” on KDAZ—Albuquerque, NM (May, 2010); “Connecting Faith” on KTIS—syndicated on five stations throughout the upper Midwest (May, 2010)
- Podcast interview about *The Making of an Atheist*: “The Active Christian Media Radio Show” with Stacy Lynn Harp—broadcast on OnePlace.com (May, 2010)
- Radio interviews about *The Making of an Atheist*: “Fresh Start”—West Palm Beach, FL (April, 2010); “The Matter at Hand” on WGRC—Scranton, PA (April, 2010); “The Bob Dutko Show” on WMUZ—Detroit, MI (April 2010); “The Janet Mefferd Show” on KWRD—Dallas, TX (April, 2010); “Prime Time Chicago” with Steve Hiller on WMBI—Chicago, IL (April, 2010); “The Georgene Rice Show” on KPDQ—Portland, OR (April, 2010); KFAX—San Francisco and San Jose, CA (April, 2010); “The Rob Breakenridge Show on CHQR—Calgary, Canada (April, 2010); “Mancow’s Morning Madhouse”—nationally syndicated on the Talk Radio Network (April, 2010); “Songtime USA Radio Show”—broadcast on 36 stations throughout the Northeast (April, 2010); KKMS—Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN (April, 2010)
- Interview about *The Making of an Atheist* for *The Charlotte World*, a news website for people in the Charlotte, NC area (April, 2010)
- Radio interviews about *The Making of an Atheist*: “Iron Sharpens Iron” with Chris Arzen on WNYG—New York, NY (March, 2010); WGNB—Grand Rapids, MI (March 2010); “Chris Fabry Live”—nationally syndicated on 203 stations (March, 2010); KTIS—syndicated throughout upper Midwest (March, 2010); American Family Radio Network—nationally syndicated (March, 2010); Moody Radio South—broadcast on four stations in Alabama and Mississippi (March, 2010); CJCA—Alberta, Canada (March, 2010); WDLM—Quad Cities, IL (March 2010); WEMI—Appleton, WI (March, 2010)
- Interview about *The Making of an Atheist* for “To The Source,” a national on-line newsletter (March, 2010)
- Radio interview about *The Making of an Atheist* for the Apologetics.com radio show (February, 2010)
- Podcast interviews about *The Making of an Atheist* for the apologetics website Apologetics315.com (February, 2010) and for atheist website CommonSenseAtheism.com (February, 2010)
- Radio interview about *The Making of an Atheist* on Prime Time America radio (January, 2010)
- Interview about *Gum, Geckos, and God* for the Focus on Your Family *Focus on Your Child* audio journal (Fall 2008)
- Radio interviews about *Gum, Geckos, and God* on KKLA in Los Angeles, CA (for Apologetics.com Show) (July, 2008); WBCL in Fort Wayne, IN (June, 2008); and Pilgrim Radio Network—stations in CA, MT, NV, and WY (June, 2008)
- Featured in *Rebellion of Thought*, a video documentary on postmodernism by Paladin Pictures (2008)
- Radio interviews about *The Benefits of Providence*: WMUZ in Detroit, MI for “The



Bob Dutko Show” (December, 2005); WTLN in Altamonte Springs, FL for “Crosstalk with Dwight Bain” (January, 2006); XM170 Family Talk for “Abiding in Christ” with Jim Wood (January, 2006); KTIS in St. Paul, MN for “The Kim Jeffries Program” (February, 2006)

- Radio interviews about *How to be Good in a World Gone Bad*: WWJC in Minneapolis, MN; WAFT in Valdosta, GA; WBCL in Fort Wayne, IN; WWJC in Duluth, MN; and WKTO in Edgewater, FL (2005)
- Radio interviews about *How to be Good in a World Gone Bad*: KPRD in Hays, KS; WTLN in Orlando, FL; KSIV in Clayton, MO; and KJTY in Topeka, KS (2004)
- Radio interview about hypocrisy in the church for WMUZ in Detroit, Michigan (October, 2000)
- Radio interview about hypocrisy in the church for KFLQ in Albuquerque, New Mexico (July, 2000)
- Radio interview about the legacy of George Berkeley for radio station in Providence, Rhode Island (July, 1996)

### **Special Lectures, Seminars, and Workshops**

- “Hypocrisy as a Problem of Evil,” a presentation at Trinity School of Theology theological forum at Crosspoint Church in Bellaire, TX (April, 2014)
- “The Psychology of Atheism,” a presentation at University Baptist Church in Houston, TX (April, 2014)
- “Gum, Geckos, and God,” a presentation at the Faith-at-Home Summit at Upland Community Church in Upland, IN (April, 2014)
- “Porn and Purity,” a presentation at Christ Community Church in Carmel, IN (March 2014)
- “The Making of an Atheist,” a presentation at the Ginger Man in Fort Worth, TX (March, 2014)
- “The Lord of Paradox,” a chapel address at Taylor University (November, 2013)
- “Staying Pure in a Pornified Culture,” a presentation at New Life Presbyterian Church in Yorktown, IN (November, 2013)
- Panel discussion on atheism for World Religions Week at Taylor University (April, 2013)
- Spoke on “The Fruit of the Spirit” at Living Waters at Taylor University (September, 2012)
- “Faithful Living in Rebellious Times,” a presentation at Sunday Night Community meeting at Taylor University (October, 2012)
- “Evidence for God,” a presentation at College Park Church youth retreat at Lake Placid Retreat Center in Gas City, IN (September, 2012)
- “School of Rock,” lecture on the ten greatest rock bands of all time at Taylor University (April, 2012)
- Panelist for “Beyond Sex and the Cornfields—What Do I Do Now?” presentation at Taylor University (April, 2012)
- “Faithful Living in Rebellious Times” and “The Evidence for God”—presentations at Calvary Christian Center in Mt. Washington, KY (October, 2011)
- “The Making of an Atheist,” a presentation at University Christian Church in Muncie,

IN (May, 2011)

- “Seven Reasons for the Liberal Arts,” a chapel address at Taylor University (September, 2011)
- Keynote speaker for Fellowship of Christian Athletes summer leadership camp, Indiana Wesleyan University in Marion, IN (July, 2011)
- “The Making of an Atheist,” a presentation for the Founders Conference at Moody Bible Institute in Chicago, IL (February, 2011)
- “The Making of an Atheist,” a presentation for the EPS Apologetics Conference at Johnson Ferry Baptist Church in Marietta, GA (November, 2010)
- Commencement address for The King’s Academy in Jonesboro, IN (May, 2010)
- “More Thoughts on Atheism,” a chapel address at Taylor University (May, 2010)
- Panelist for Taylor University “Town Hall Meeting” on Homosexuality (December, 2009)
- “The Causes of Atheism,” a chapel address at Taylor University (December, 2009)
- “Growing the Church from the Inside Out,” a series of church retreat talks for Christ Chapel Church, Knoxville, TN (September 2009)
- “Great Sexpectations,” a talk as part of the student life series “Sex and the Cornfields” at Taylor University (April, 2009)
- “Dylan and Philosophy,” a presentation at Huntington University in Huntington, IN (January, 2008)
- “The History of Rock Music: 1950-2000,” a marathon lecture at Taylor University (March 23-24, 2007)
- “We Will Not All Be Equal: Spiritual Formation and Our Eternal Destiny,” a workshop delivered at the Taylor University Men’s Conference (February, 2007)
- “A Christian Theology of Sports,” a chapel address at Taylor University (January, 2007)
- Panelist for “Managing Global Oil Resources,” a presentation for the Taylor University Science Seminar (December, 2006)
- “Virtues in Leadership,” a workshop for the Student Leadership program at Ball State University in Muncie, IN (November, 2006)
- “A Christian Approach to Immorality in Art,” a chapel address at Bethel College in Mishawaka, IN (October, 2006)
- “Immorality in Art: When is it Appropriate?” a presentation for Light@Night, sponsored by the Taylor Student Leadership organization (February, 2006)
- Book signing at Tree of Life bookstore in Marion, IN (January, 2006)
- Panelist for “This Sickness Unto Death: A Discussion of End of Life Decisions” at Indiana University-Purdue University in Fort Wayne, IN (January, 2006)
- “Origins and Divine Providence,” a presentation at Belhaven College in Jackson, MS (November, 2005)
- “The Ethics of Transhuman Genetic Engineering,” a presentation for the Taylor University Bioethics Mini-series (October 2005)
- “The Virtue of Self-Control,” a chapel address at Covenant College in Lookout Mountain, Tennessee (February, 2005)
- “God and the Silver Screen: Toward a Christian Appraisal of Film,” a lecture delivered at Grace Central Church in Columbus, OH (October, 2004)
- “Understanding and Assessing Open Theism,” a lecture delivered at the New City Cafe in Knoxville, TN (April, 2004)

- “Integrity: Friends and Foes in Your Walk with Christ,” College Park Church in Indianapolis, IN (June, 2003)
- “Hypocrisy,” chapel message delivered at Taylor University (June, 2003)
- “Humility in Leadership,” a workshop for the National Student Leadership Conference at Taylor University (April, 2003)
- “Theism and Philosophy of Science,” a talk delivered for the Taylor University Natural Science Division Lecture Series (April, 2003)
- “Suffering: The Paradoxical Gift,” chapel message delivered at Taylor University (March, 2003)
- “The Creativity of Jesus,” chapel message at delivered at Taylor University (July, 2002)
- “Christianity and the Arts,” a public lecture delivered at the New City Cafe in Knoxville, TN (April, 2002)
- “Do Animals Have Rights?” a special lecture delivered at a Taylor University forum on the issue of animal welfare (April, 2002)
- “Morally Pro-Life and Politically Pro-Choice?” a public lecture delivered at the University of Illinois in Champaign, IL (March, 2002)
- “The Problem of Hypocrisy,” a presentation for the Inter-Varsity graduate fellowship of the University of Illinois in Champaign, IL (March, 2002)
- “The Virtue of Faith,” chapel message at Taylor University (January, 2001)
- “An Unwanted Legacy—Hypocrisy: A Hard Look at Today’s Christians,” a special lecture at Truman State University in Kirksville, MO (November, 2000)
- Speaker for retreat on the topic of the virtues for New Life Presbyterian Church, Yorktown, IN (October, 2000)
- “Virtue and Vice,” a series of workshops for College Park Baptist Church in Indianapolis, IN (September, 2000)
- “Moral Integrity and the Christian Life,” a workshop presented at the Association of Christians in Student Development conference at Taylor University (June, 2000)
- “The Problem of Hypocrisy,” a workshop presented at the New City Cafe in Knoxville, TN (April, 2000)
- “The Virtue of Forgiveness,” chapel message at Taylor University (November, 1999)
- Lecture on “The Immaterialism of George Berkeley” at Ball State University Philosophy Club, Muncie, IN (October, 1999)
- “The Blessing of Forgiveness: Meditations on Psalm 32,” chapel message at Taylor University (June, 1999)
- “Hypocrisy and the Evangelical Community,” chapel message at Taylor University (April, 1999)
- “Towards a Christian Philosophy of Art,” a series of three lectures delivered at the New City Cafe in Knoxville, TN (August, 1998)
- “Divine Irony,” chapel message at Taylor University (June, 1998)
- “Gold I Mined in the Pit of Despair,” chapel message at Taylor University (November, 1996)
- “A New Aesthetic Vision for Taylor University,” a paper presented at the Taylor University Colleagues’ College (August, 1996)
- “Stewardship of the Mind,” a series of four lectures presented to the Breckinridge Christian Fellowship in Breckinridge, CO (June, 1996)

## **Professional Duties and Offices**

- Member and principal author on the committee to revise the Taylor statement on human sexuality (2011-12)
- Planning Committee for the Ray Fitzgerald Lecture Series (2011-present)
- Director of Planning for EPS-Sponsored Philosophy of Religion Group session at the Central Meeting of the American Philosophical Association (2010-present)
- Member of the Taylor University Ethics Center Task Force (2010-present)
- Associate Philosophy Editor, *Edification*, journal of the Society for Christian Psychology (2010-present)
- Director, Taylor University Philosophy Program (2008-present)
- Referee for the journal *Philosophia Christi* (2002-present)
- Director, Taylor University Colleagues College (2009)
- Executive Board Member, Evangelical Philosophical Society (2007-2010)
- Referee for the journal *Christian Scholar's Review* (2007)
- Executive Committee Member, Society for Christian Psychology (2005-present)
- Referee for the journal *Perspectives on Science and Christian Faith* (2004)
- Selection Committee for the Forman Distinguished Scholar Award (2003-2005)
- Taylor University Faculty Development & Candidate Interview Committee (2002-2005)
- Lilly Foundation Vocation 2001 Grant writing committee (2001)
- Referee for the journal *Metaphilosophy* (2001)
- Taylor University Ethics Bowl team coach (2000-present)
- Director of Honors Program at Taylor University (2000-2002)
- Founder and director of Taylor Faculty Forums (1997-2003)
- Taylor University Athletic, Financial, and Enrollment Committee (1997-2000)
- Editor of the "Berkeley Briefs," newsletter for the International Berkeley Society (1996-2000)
- Faculty advisor for *Mu Kappa*, organization for "third culture" students (1994-2002)
- Co-sponsor of the *Chi Alpha Omega* Honor Society at Taylor University (1994-1998)
- Resident scholar, George Berkeley Whitehall Museum, Middletown, RI (July 1996)
- Served on review committee for the *Norton Anthology of Western Philosophy* (1996)
- Taylor University Community Life Committee (1994-96)

## **Professional Awards**

- Templeton Research Fellowship awarded by the Biola University Center for Christian Thought (Fall, 2014)
- Forman Distinguished Faculty Scholar Award at Taylor University (2011)
- Finalist for *Christianity Today* 2010 Book Award for *The Making of an Atheist*
- Distinguished Professor Award at Taylor University (2007)
- *Christianity Today* 2005 "Award of Merit" for *How to be Good in a World Gone Bad*
- Teaching Excellence and Campus Leadership award at Taylor University (2000)