

## **NORRIS C. GRUBBS**

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### **PERSONAL**

Salvation: October 1977

Surrendered to Ministry: June 24, 1990

Family: Married to Kimberly Chebahtah, July 10, 1999. Daughters Katie Sunrise, August 13, 2001, MollieKay Cloud, July 26, 2003, and Cameron Sky, April 2, 2008

Licensed by: West Heights Baptist Church, Pontotoc, Mississippi, August 1990

Ordained by: Green Valley Baptist Church, Pontotoc, Mississippi, May 1996

### **EDUCATION**

Doctor of Philosophy in New Testament received from New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans, Louisiana, May 2002. Dissertation: "Is There a Distinctive K<sup>r</sup> Group in John?", New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, 2002.

Master of Divinity degree with a concentration in languages received from New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans, Louisiana, May 1997.

Bachelor of Science degree in Religion and Mathematics received from Union University, Jackson, Tennessee, May 1994.

### **ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE**

*Provost* - New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary - New Orleans, Louisiana, August 1, 2017 - present.

I am responsible for oversight of the academic programs of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary and all that is involved with it.

*Associate Provost for Extension Centers and Enrollment Management* - New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary - New Orleans, Louisiana, July 1, 2013 - July 31, 2017.

I was responsible for working with the Provost to facilitate enrollment management within the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary System. I have maintained the responsibilities of the office of the Senior Associate Dean including oversight of the LA/MS extension center sites and administration of the larger seminary extension system. I was appointed QEP Director beginning January 1, 2016 with responsibility for oversight of the NOBTS Quality Enhancement Plan.

*Senior Associate Dean, Extension Center System* - New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary - New Orleans, Louisiana, August 1, 2009 - June 30, 2013.

As Senior Associate Dean, I added the responsibility for administration of the Compressed Interactive Video network for the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary,

overseeing the annual directors meeting for the entire seminary extension system, and representing the other regional deans during administrative meetings on campus.

*Associate Dean for LA and MS* - New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary - New Orleans, Louisiana, August 1, 2006 - July 31, 2009.

In addition to the teaching assignments, I was responsible for graduate and undergraduate level extension center education in Louisiana and Mississippi, overseeing nine separate centers including three graduate sites and two prison sites. As Associate Dean, I was involved in administering the scheduling cycles, supervising the directors, and processing student requests.

*Professor of New Testament and Greek* - New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary - New Orleans, Louisiana, August 1, 2002 -present.

My initial teaching was connected to Leavell College. I was the Department Chair for the Biblical Studies Department until 2006 when the departments structure was reorganized. I was the primary person responsible for transcript evaluation for several years and continued most of the responsibilities of the Instructor position. As Department Chair, I was responsible for supervision of adjunct professors and scheduling in the Biblical Studies Department. I was promoted to Full Professor from Associate Professor during the spring of 2013. In 2018, my teaching responsibilities were shifted to the graduate side of NOBTS where I teach both doctoral and graduate courses.

*Instructor of New Testament and Greek* - Leavell College, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary - New Orleans, Louisiana, August 1, 2000 - July 31, 2002.

This position was a tenure track position while finishing doctoral studies. I served as Chair of the Department of Biblical Studies starting spring 2001 responsible for supervision of adjunct professors and scheduling. In addition to the responsibilities of a full-time contract position, I served on multiple faculty committees.

*Full-Time Contract Teacher* - College of Undergraduate Studies, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary - New Orleans, Louisiana, August 1, 1999 - July 31, 2000.

This position was a full-time, non-tenure track position teaching New Testament courses. I participated in faculty meetings including a complete curriculum revision. I was also involved in advising, transcript evaluation, and counseling students.

*Adjunct Teacher* - College of Undergraduate Studies - New Orleans, Louisiana, spring 1999.

I developed and taught a new class "Theological Word Studies." Students learned the basics of Greek in order to utilize various tools to complete Greek word studies.

## **CHURCH AND COMMUNITY EXPERIENCE**

*Interim Pastorates and Speaking Opportunities* - Involved in local churches as an interim pastor, filling the pulpit, and leading in various ways. In addition, led in various weekend settings as a speaker.

*Pastor* - Lee Hill Baptist Church - Folsom, Louisiana, December 17, 1995 - September 12, 1999.

*Co-Founder* - Co-founded and led Fellowship of Christian Athletes group at the University of New Orleans with wife, August 2000 - May 2005.

### **SOCIETY INVOLVEMENT**

Member, Evangelical Theological Society, 1999 - present

Member, Society of Biblical Literature, 1999 - 2010

### **BOOKS**

*Kingdom Students: Skills to Succeed in Education and the Rest of Your Life.* Nashville, TN: Broadman and Holman. 2020. Co-authored with Cory Barnes.

*Word Studies Made Simple: How to Study the Bible in the Original Languages.* Mountain Home AR: BorderStone Press. 2012. Co-authored with Francis Kimmitt.

### **DICTIONARY AND JOURNAL ARTICLES**

“Theological Education Delivered to You: The Extension Centers and Online Learning.” *Journal for Baptist Theology and Ministry* 17:2 (Fall 2020).

“The NOBTS and Leavell College of Tomorrow: The Future of Theological Education.” *Journal for Baptist Theology and Ministry* 17:2 (Fall 2020).

Contributor, *Baker Illustrated Study Bible (CSB)*, Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Books. 2018.

“What Does Theology Have to Do with the Bible? A Call for the Expansion of the Doctrine of Inspiration.” *Journal of the Evangelical Theological Society* 53:1 (March 2010).

Article, “The Truth About Elders and Their Children: Believing or Behaving in Titus 1:6?” *Faith and Mission* 22, no. 2 (Spring 2005).

Articles for the *Baker Bible Dictionary*, “Appeal to Caesar,” “Amphipolis,” “Antipatris,” “Antonia, Tower of,” “Archippus,” “Augustus,” “Blastus,” “Booty,” “Clopas,” “Coppersmith,” “Cupbearer,” “Demas,” “Denarius,” “Didymus,” “Elisabeth,” “Erastus,” “Euodia or Euodias,” “Fortunatus,” “Freedmen, Synagogue of the,” “Gnashing of Teeth,” “Glutton,” “Lawyer,” “Lineage,” “Malchus,” “Mansion,” “Maranatha,” “Matthew’s Bible,” “Overseer,” “Pastorals,” “Publican,” “Rhoda,” “Sceva,” “Scoffer,” “Sodomite,” “Stature,” “Statute,” “Stewardship,” “Steadfastness,” “Trophimus,” “Watch,” “Waterpot.”

## **OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

“What does theology have to do with the Bible? The doctrine of inspiration as an illustration of discipline specialization run amok.” at the annual meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society, November 2007.

“The Truth about Elders and Their Children: Believing or Behaving in Titus 1:6?” at the annual meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society, November 2004.

“A New Approach to the Byzantine Manuscripts” at the annual meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society, November 2002.

“Why Parables? Mark 4's Evidence” at Society of Biblical Literature Southwest Regional Conference, March 2000.

Collation of manuscripts 47, 56, 58, 825, 1023, 1190, 1247, and 2382 for the International Greek New Testament Project.

Outside reader for Andrews University dissertation defense, “The So-Called Mixed Text: An Examination of the Non-Alexandrian and Non-Byzantine Text-type in the Catholic Epistles.” by Clinton Baldwin, spring 2007.

International travel to Israel in January 1997, 2011, and 2019, Rome in January 2005, Greece in July 2005, Egypt in January 2008, and China in January 2013.

Completed the SACSCOC Academic Peer Evaluator Training Workshop in December 2018.

Visiting team member, Association of Theological Schools accreditation visit, Spring 2018.

## **SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS**

Marvin Jones Award for Excellence in Teaching - Peer-voted award for best in classroom excellence at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary

American Bible Society Award from New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary - Outstanding student with a biblical languages major

Lee Hill Baptist Church recognized by the Louisiana Baptist Convention as one of the top ten in baptisms among churches of similar size, 1998.

Scholars of Excellence scholarship to Union University

Religion Majors Award from Union University - Highest GPA for a religion major

## **REFERENCES**

**Dr. Chuck Kelley**, President Emeritus, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, 3939 Gentilly Blvd., Box 619, New Orleans, LA, 70126, (504) 432-0169.

**Dr. L. Thomas Strong III**, Dean, Leavell College; Professor of New Testament and Greek, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, 4310 Seminary Place, New Orleans, LA, 70126, (504) 881-6715.

**Dr. Edward Wren**, Pastor, First Baptist Church, 802 Martin Luther King Drive Rayville, LA 71296, (318) 669-3231.

**Dr. William F. Warren**, Professor of New Testament and Greek; Director of the Center for New Testament Textual Studies; Landrum P. Leavell II Chair of New Testament and Greek, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, 6519 Mauna Loa Drive, Diamondhead, MS, 39525, (225) 547-4523.