

VITA

Jeffrey C. Farmer

EDUCATIONAL

Henderson High School, 1990

B.S., Georgia Southern University, 1996

M.Div., New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, 2001

M.Th., New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, 2004

Ph.D., New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, 2007

Courses Taken Toward M.S. Applied Statistics, Kennesaw State University, 2009-2010

MINISTERIAL

Ordination: 1998. First Baptist Church of Scotland Neck, North Carolina

- Associate Director, Caskey Center for Church Excellence and Associate Professor of Church Ministry and Evangelism, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, 2015-present
- Research Contractor, North American Mission Board, Alpharetta, Georgia, 2005-present
- Dean of Online Learning and Assistant Professor of Missions and Evangelism, Tennessee Temple University, 2013-2014
- Adjunct Professor, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, North Georgia Campus, 2007-2014
 - Pastor/Church Planter, LifeTree Church, Hiram, Georgia, 2007-2013
- Director, Leavell College-Phillips State Prison Ext. Center, Buford, Georgia, 2012-2013
- C.C. Randall Research Fellow, Leavell Center for Evangelism and Church Health, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans, Louisiana, 2004-2005
- Teaching Fellow, Evangelism and Church Growth, Dr. Bill Day, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans, Louisiana, 2004-2007
 - Statistics Course Guest Lecturer, University of New Orleans, Louisiana, 2004
- Research Fellow, Evangelism and Church Growth, Dr. Will H. McRaney, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans, Louisiana, 2003-2004
- Research Fellow, Evangelism and Church Growth, Dr. Jim Cogdill, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans, Louisiana, 2003
- Minister of Students and Evangelism, East Ridge Baptist Church, East Ridge, Tennessee, 1999-2002
- Associate Pastor of Youth, Proctor's Chapel Baptist Church, Rocky Mount, North Carolina, 1998-1999
 - Associate Pastor of Youth and Education, First Baptist Church, Scotland Neck, North Carolina, 1997-1998
 - Youth Director, Trinity Baptist Church, Nevils, Georgia, 1992-1996
 - Youth Director, Brooklet United Methodist Church, 1990-1992

PUBLISHED AND SELECTED WRITINGS

Editor, *Small Church, Excellent Ministry: A Guidebook for Pastors*. Eugene, OR: Wipf and Stock Publishers, 2017.

Formal Paper Presentation: "Mission Praxis in Smaller Membership Churches." Paper Presented at the annual meeting of the Evangelical Missiological Society, Southern Region Conference, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, NC, April 9, 2016.

Formal Paper Presentation: "Church Planting Sponsorship: A Statistical Analysis of Sponsoring A Church Plant as a Means of Revitalization of the Sponsor Church." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Southern Baptist Research Fellowship, Louisville, KY, September 2008.

Dissertation: "Church Planting Sponsorship: A Statistical Analysis of Sponsoring A Church Plant as a Means of Revitalization of the Sponsor Church." Ph.D., New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans, Louisiana, 2007.

Formal Paper Presentation: "The Effect of Sponsoring a Church Plant on the Sponsor Church." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Scientific Study of Religion, Southwest, Dallas, TX, March 2007.

Formal Paper Presentation: "The Perceptive Electorate." Presented at the Southeastern Undergraduate Sociological Symposium, Athens, Georgia, February 1996.

Formal Paper Presentation: "Perceptions and Traits: The Effects on Student Government Elections." Presented at the annual meeting of the Georgia Sociological Association, Saint Simons Island, Georgia, October 1995.

DENOMINATIONAL ACTIVITY AND PROFESSIONAL SOCIETY LEADERSHIP

Secretary/Treasurer, Southern Baptist Research Fellowship, 2015-present

Newsletter Editor/Web Coordinator, Southern Baptist Research Fellowship, 2011-2013

Member, Noonday Baptist Association Executive Committee, Marietta, Georgia, 2007-2013.

Member, Noonday Baptist Association Community Evangelism Committee, Marietta, Georgia, 2010-2013.

Member, Hamilton County Baptist Association Youth Board, 2000-2002

President, Tar River Associational Youth Council, 1997-1998

Member, Tar River Associational Youth Council, 1997-1999

President, Sociological Society at Georgia Southern University, Statesboro, Georgia, 1995-1996

Vice President, Sociological Society at Georgia Southern University, Statesboro, Georgia, 1994-1995

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT INTERESTS

Church revitalization

Church planting

Contemporary Strategies for evangelism

Cross-cultural disciple making

Evangelizing the inoculated (those who have previous exposure to the gospel)

Missions

Use of demographic and psycho-graphic data for ministry

The nature and praxis of house churches

Collected data from interviews with lost people under age 35, including video interviews

Conducted various types of research for the preparation and writing of a manual on "Doing Ministry in the Postmodern Context"

Conducted surveys with pastors and lay-persons regarding their view of personal evangelism and their strategy for church evangelism

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL ADVANCEMENTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS

Courses taught:

Introduction to Statistics, Undergraduate Course
Survey of Math, Undergraduate Course
Contemporary Math, Undergraduate Course
Practice of Evangelism, Undergraduate Course
Survey of Missions, Undergraduate Course
Bivocational Ministry, Undergraduate Course
Supervised Ministry I: Personal Evangelism Practicum, Graduate Course
Supervised Ministry III: Church Revitalization Practicum, Graduate Course
Church Evangelism, Graduate Course
Christian Ministry in the 21st Century, Graduate Course
Biblical Principles and Practices of Evangelism, Graduate Course
Urban Church Planting, Graduate Course
Vital Signs of a Health Church, Doctor of Ministry Course (co-taught with Dr. Bill Day)

Courses completed and seminars attended:

Biblical and Theological Basis for Evangelism and Discipleship Seminar
Church Growth Reading Colloquium
The Art of Preaching Seminar
Emerging Issues in Evangelism and Church Growth Seminar
Contemporary Methods and Models Evangelism Reading Colloquium
Church Growth Foundations and Development Seminar
Church Revitalization and Strategic Leadership Seminar
Discipleship Reading Colloquium
Contemporary Disciple-making Seminar
A History of Christian Mission Seminar
History and Theology of Evangelism Colloquium
Urban Missions Seminary
Certification in *Continued Witness Training* program, *FAITH Evangelism Strategy*, and in
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PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES

Great Commission Research Network (formerly American Society for Church Growth)
American Academy of Religion
American Society for Church History
Association for the Scientific Study of Religion
Evangelical Missiological Society
Evangelical Theological Society
Southern Baptist Research Fellowship

STATISTICAL AND DEMOGRAPHIC SOFTWARE PROFICIENCY

ScanUS Demographic Software
ESRI ARCGIS Demographic Software
SPSS Statistical Software
SAS Statistical Software