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## **Education**

B.S. (Psychology), Florida Southern College, 1986  
 Master of Divinity, Asbury Theological Seminary, 1989  
 Doctor of Ministry, Columbia Theological Seminary, 1997  
 MAIS (Psychology/Education), Western New Mexico University, in process

## **Continuing Education**

150 hours of continuing education in safety, security, terrorism and emergency management studies, 2011  
 27 hours of graduate coursework in Psychology at Western New Mexico University, 2010-2011  
 Model Approach to Partnership in Parenting (MAPP), 30 hours, 2010  
 Tailwheel endorsement (airplane), 2010  
 AMTC National Competition (seminars, workshops and competitions for actors, models and talent; observer and parent of contestant; 6 days), 2009  
 Instrument Rating (airplane), 2008  
 Private Pilot License (single-engine, land-based airplane), 2008  
 Private Pilot License (glider), 2008  
 SCUBA, Open Water Diver Certification, Scuba Schools International, 2007  
 Willow Creek Community Church Leadership Summit, 2006  
 Coach Certification, CoachNet, 2005  
 Convergence, National Ministry Training Event, EBA event, 2004  
 Quadrennial Convocation on Cooperative Parish Ministry, 2003  
 Consultant Training, Level 1 and 2 with Tom Bandy, 2003  
 Natural Church Development Coaches Training, Level 1 and 2, 2003  
 Assessment and Assessor Training with Jim Griffith, 2002  
 Supervised Ministry Mentor Training, Asbury Theological Seminary, 2001  
 Completed Coaching Certification Process, Inquest Christian Ministries, 2001  
 Human Behavior Consultant Certification (DISC) with Personality Insights, 2001  
 Coaching Clinic (Jim Griffith), 2000  
 Church Planter's Boot Camp (CMTC), 2000

Coaching Practicum, (CMTC/Inquest), 2000  
 Advanced Coaching Clinic, 2000  
 Drama Workshop (Bay Life Community Church), 2000  
 Contemporary Worship Seminar with Sally Morgenthaller, 2000  
 New Church Start Training with Bill Easum and Jim Griffith, 1999  
 Consultant II Training with Bill Easum, 1998  
 New Church Start Training with Bill Easum, 1998  
 Duke School for New Church Development (UMC), 1998  
 Florida Conference Training in Small Group Leadership and Reaching People for  
     Jesus in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century, 1998  
 School of New Congregational Development (UMC), 1997  
 Consulting Internship with Bill Easum, January 26-29, 1998  
 Consultant I Training with Bill Easum, 1997  
 Excellence in Ministry Workshop (working with anxiety filled systems), 1997  
 Renew Your Worship! Workshop with Robert Weber, 1997  
 “Advanced Directives” Workshop, 1997  
 Excellence in Ministry Workshop (systems theory), 1996  
 Facilitative Leadership, 1996  
 Grant Writing for Technology, 1996  
 Leadership Brandon (Florida), 1995  
 School Improvement Team Training, 1995  
 Introduction to Disaster/Shelter Management (ARC), 1995  
 Business Partnership Workshop, 1995  
 Children, Death, and Grief Workshop, 1993  
 Clinical Pastoral Education - Two units, 1990 and 1992  
     (ICU, PICU, CCU, ER, Trauma Team, Aeromedical Flight Chaplain,  
     Advanced Directives training - 480 hours in each rotation)  
 HIV/AIDS Educator Training, 1990-1992  
 Sexual Abuse: Counseling Victims, Families and Offenders, 1991

### **Ministerial Credentials and Ordination**

Elder, The United Methodist Church, 1994  
 Deacon, The United Methodist Church, 1992  
 Licensed Minister, The Assemblies of God, 1987

### **Leadership Positions**

Member, District Transformation Team, SW District, 2006-07  
 Member, District Leadership Council, SW District, 2005-

Liaison to the District Transformation Team, SW District, 2005-06, 09-  
 Member, Southwest District Committee on Ministry, 2005-  
 Chair, Congregational Transformation Team, Sarasota District, 2003-2004  
 Member, Design Team for Candidate Mentoring Process, Florida UMC, 2002  
 Member, District Leadership Team, Sarasota District UMC, 2001-4  
 Member, District Board of Missions, Sarasota District UMC, 2001-2005  
 District Coordinator, Igniting Ministry, 2001-06  
 Information Technology Chair, Florida Conf. Communications Team, 2001-3  
 Member, Hispanic Ministry Team, Sarasota District UMC, 2000-3  
 Evangelism Coordinator, Sarasota District Council on Ministries, 2000-1  
 Member, School Advisory Council, Pine View School, 1999-00  
 Member, Sarasota District Committee on Ordained Ministry, 1999-2005  
 Facilitator, Pastor's Small Groups for Bishop's Initiative on Evangelism, 1998-9  
 Counselor Supervisor, Billy Graham Crusade, Tampa, October 1998  
 Vice-Chair, Tampa District Committee on Ordained Ministry, 1998-9  
 Member, Ethics Board, Brandon Regional Medical Center, 1997-99  
 Member, Florida Conference Communications Ministry, 1997- 2006  
 Vice-Chair, Florida Conference Work Area on Church and Society, 1996-8  
 Secretary, Florida Conference Work Area on Church and Society, 1994-5  
 Member, Florida Conference Work Area on Church and Society, 1990-5, 1996-8  
 Member, Florida Conference Task Force on Technology, 1996-8  
 Member, Tampa District Committee on Ordained Ministry, 1996-9  
 President, Greater Brandon Ministerial Association, 1996-1997  
 Supervising Pastor, The United Methodist Church, 1995-present  
 Member, Education Committee, Greater Brandon Chamber of Commerce, 1995-9  
 Co-Facilitator, Limona Elementary School Improvement Team, 1995-9  
 Vice-President, Greater Brandon Ministerial Association, 1995-6  
 Member, Limona Elementary School Improvement Team, 1994-9  
 Class Leader, Florida Conference Confirmation Convocation, 1993-7

### **Coaching Certifications and Endorsements**

Endorsed Coach and Consultant, United Methodist Endorsing Agency, General  
 Board of Higher Education and Ministry, 2012  
 Certified Coach, CoachNet, 2005  
 Certified Natural Church Development Coach, Florida Conference UMC, 2004  
 Certified Church Planting Coach, Inquest Christian Ministries, 2001

## **Awards, Honors, and Recognitions of Accomplishment**

Membership in the International Society for Philosophical Inquiry (High IQ), 1996  
 Membership in Intertel (High IQ), 1996  
 Certificate of Appreciation, Francis House (A spiritual outreach to those infected/affected by HIV/AIDS), 1996  
 International Society of Theta Phi (Graduate Religion Honorary), 1988  
 Outstanding Psychology Student, Florida Southern College, 1986

## **Volunteer Activities**

Advisor/Coach, Beautiful Feet Worldwide, a 501 c 3 organization, 2012  
 Advisor/Coach, Waves of Love, a 501 c 3 organization, 2011  
 Team Member, Celebrate Jesus Mission, 2002  
 Member, Board of Directors, Charlotte County Homeless Association, 2002  
 Assistant Coach, Englewood Soccer Association, 2001  
 Assistant Coach, Sarasota United Soccer League, 2000  
 Assistant Coach, Brandon Indoor Soccer, 1997  
 Principal for a Day, Mann Middle School, 1997  
 Assistant Coach, Brandon Area Youth Soccer League, 1996-9  
 Hillsborough County School System, Norm Referenced Test Adoption Committee, 1996  
 Steering Committee, Community Food Collection Program, Leadership Brandon Alumni Association, 1996  
 Instructor, Great American Teach-In, Hillsborough Co. School System, 1995-9  
 Host Site, Great American Work-Out, Hillsborough Co. School System, 1995-9  
 Business Partner Coordinator, Limona Elementary School, 1995-97  
 Clergy Advisory Board, Francis House (HIV/AIDS Ministry), 1994-98

## **Major Publications**

Publish bi-monthly newsletter for judicatory leaders in 20 denominations, United Methodist clergy and laity and leaders in business  
 "Performance Review and Development Plan for Pastors", a clergy evaluation tool, 2005  
 "Transformation Talks," a consultation tool, 2005  
 "Ministry Performance Review," a consultation tool, 2004  
 "Ministry Role and Review Survey," a consultation tool, 2004  
 "Discovering Your DNA," a DISC tool, 2004

- “Congregational DNA Formation,” a consultation tool, 2004
- “Performance Review and Development Plan,” a staff evaluation tool, 2004
- “The Church Transformation Survey Workbook”, 2003
- “Pragmatic Church Growth”, an e-book published by Easum, Bandy & Associates, 2003
- “Drama From Bay Life” (Packs 1 & 2 - coauthored with Jenney Sanchez) - distributed by Bay Life Community On-Line and Easum, Bandy & Associates, 2000
- “Experience Life - A 90 Day Devotional from Proverbs” - distributed by Bay Life Community On-Line, 2000
- “Living In An Occupied Land”, Journal of Social Justice, 1999
- “Teaching By Example”, Upper Room, Sept/Oct 1998
- “Marduk and Tiamat Revisited: Modernism Vs. Postmodernism”, Telicom, July, 1997
- “The Ethics of Living and Dying: A Faith-Based Perspective”, Integra, June, 1997
- “10 Assurances for People Infected/Affected by HIV/AIDS”, GMGM, UMC, 1993
- “Guidelines for Giving Care to People Infected/Affected by HIV/AIDS”, GBGM, UMC, 1993
- “Questions and Answers for Churches about HIV/AIDS”, GBGM, UMC, 1993

### **Travel/Mission Trips**

- Celebrate Jesus Mission, Lakeland District UMC, Bartow, FL, 2002
- Hungary and Romania (Mission trip), 1998
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- India (Mission trip), 1997
- Dominican Republic (Mission trip), 1996
- Jamaica (D.Min. Course), 1996
- Israel (Clergy study tour), 1992
- Appalachia Service Project, West Virginia (Team Leader), 1989

### **Employment**

- Adjunct Professor, Argosy University, 2010-
- Owner, Olive Leaf Technologies, 2010-2012 (a socially responsible company providing training and work to break the generational cycle of poverty in India)
- President, DNA Coaching, Inc., 2004 (founded); 1/1/07 (full-time appointment)

Founder, DNA Coaching, 2004  
 Director, South Sarasota Teaching Parish, Sarasota District UMC, 2002-06  
 Founding Pastor, Bay Life Community Church, UMC, 6/99-5/02  
 Senior Pastor, Limona Village Chapel United Methodist Church, 6/94-9  
 Pastor, Port Tampa United Methodist Church, 1/91-6/94  
 Pastor, Cork United Methodist Church, 6/90-12/90  
 Assistant Pastor, Temple Terrace United Methodist Church, 6/89-6/90

## **Recent Media Exposure**

### Print

“Making the Most of C-H-A-N-G-E”, Transformation (magazine of the Desert Southwest Annual Conference, UMC), Volume 3, Issue 2, Summer 2011.

“Servant Evangelism and Vital Congregations”, Transformation, 3, Issue 4, Winter 2011.

### Radio/TV

10/18/11 – Invited guest on “The Big Chat” radio show with Latoya Brown, 1340 WTAN (Clearwater and Dade City, FL). Topic: Will the world end on October 21, 2011? (Harold Camping’s prediction that the world would end)

4/10/12 – Invited guest on “Wellness for the Real World” radio show with Dr. Veronica Anderson (29 million listeners per week). Topic: Sex, God and Spiritual Leaders

### Web

4/18/12 – “The Hardest Person to Manage!”, <http://www.carolroth.com/blog/leadership-effective-leadership-tips/>

4/27/12 – quoted in “7 Ways Your Friends Influence You” - <http://www.thefashionspot.com/runway-news/news/173569-7-ways-your-friends-influence-you>

5/8/12 – quoted in “Tips for Increasing Website Traffic” - <http://www.carolroth.com/blog/traffic-increasing-website-traffic-tips/>

6/20/12 – quoted in “Competition: Standing Out From the Crowd in Business” -

<http://www.carolroth.com/blog/competition-standing-out-from-the-crowd-in-business/>

7/9/12 – quoted in “Church Search 101: Five Steps for Finding the Right Fit for Your Marriage” - <http://www.focusonthefamily.ca/Communication/finding-the-right-church-for-your-marriage.html>