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Interests of research

Doctrine of Justification and Socialphilosophy of Acknowledgement

Theory of Intercultural Communication and Methods of its Analysis

Dimensions of Healingprocesses and there Analytical Perception

Pastoraltheology and Cognitive Psychology / Rational-Emotive Therapy

Curriculum vitae

In general

Born 1945 Married with five children

Theologian, pedagogue with special psychotherapeutic
training for children and counseling for parents

2013 (14th of January to 8th of February) Visiting Professor
at the United Theological College in Bangalore/India

Since 2010 In retirement

Since 1999 Associated professor for Practical Theology in the
Protestant Department of the Goethe-
University in Frankfurt on Main
(Main Topics: Rhetoric, Homiletics and Liturgy)

1994-2010 Reverend in the Protestant French-Reformed
Congregation Frankfurt on Main
also Mentor and Supervisor for Students

1977-1994 Reverend in Frankfurt on Main, Nieder-Eschbach
5 years also as a superintendent

1974 Ordination as a reverend of the Congregational-
Presbyterian Church

1970-1977 Academic assistant for general pedagogics with
particular regard to religious education at the
Department of Pedagogics of the University of Hamburg

Special aspects

Since approx. 2005 Member of the Center of Interdisciplinary Studies on Africa

Since approx. 2004 Member of the Interdisciplinary Team of the PhD Program
"Religion in Dialog"

Member of the German Paul Tillich Society from approx. 1970 - 1992 and again since 1999

Since 2002 Member of the International Academic Advisory Board of *Przegląd Homiliczny* (Trans.: Homiletic Journal, in Poland)

1991-2012 Member of the German Ecumenical Association for Homiletics

1977-1992 Full member of the German Society for Pastoral Psychology, Communication Psychology and Behaviorism branch; also in the executive committee from 1981-1984

Approx. 1986-1988 Member of a committee of the Protestant Church of Hessen-Nassau (EKHN) on the pastoral care of soldiers

1985-1988 Member of a project group of the Church Governing Board of the Protestant Church of Hessen and Nassau (EKHN) on the subject of "Unemployment and Poverty"

Approx. 1985 Participant in a consultation between the Protestant Church of Germany and the French Protestant Church Association with the purpose of implementing social standards in the later European Constitution

1980-1983 Conducting courses in managing pastoral discussions at the Episcopal Seminary for on going Catholic Priests in Essen ("Discussion Training") and at the Pastoral Seminary at the Philosophical-Theological College of the Franciscans and Capuchins in Münster ("Spiritual Guidance Training") in 1981/1982

1973-1975 Working with The Samaritans in Hamburg (pastoral phone care)

Publications

Books - German

Editor: **Series: Christianity Today**, Stuttgart inter alia, 2002-2010

8 Volumes: Walter Hollenweger, Beate Stierle, Konrad Raiser, Margot Käßmann, Hans-Günter Heimbrock, Gerhard Marcel Martin, Andrea Bieler and Bärbel Wartenberg-Potter

With Georg Altmann and others (editors): *Migration and Modernization*. - 450th Anniversary of the Protestant French-Presbyterian Congregation, Frankfurt on Main 2006, 239 pages

With Hans-Günter Heimbrock (editors): *Designing Theological Educational Processes*.

- Steps for Educational Reform, Frankfurt-on-Main 2002, 136 pages

With Hans-Günter Heimbrock (editors): Learning to Preach, Learning to Celebrate the Service - New Methods in Theological Education, Frankfurt-on-Main, 2000, 176 pages

Editor: Integrative Education in the Sphere of the Parish, Bonn, 1998, 157 pages

Editor: **Series: Practical Academic Knowledge Series: The Parish**,
Stuttgart inter alia 1982 –1985,
7 Volumes: Christoph Elsas, Peter Hennig, Marianne Hartung, Jutta Krauss-Siemann,
Traugott Schall, Horst Albrecht and Theophil Vogt

Preaching as a Dialog - Pastoral-psychological and Didactic Reflection of Sermons and "Conversational" Services, Stuttgart inter alia 1979, 168 pages

Person-Centered Psychotherapy in Pastoral Care - Basic Course in Managing Personal Discussions in Schools and Congregations, Stuttgart inter alia, 1977, 176 pages

Doctoral dissertation: Paul Tillich's Method of Correlation and Symbol Concept - Its Importance and Problems for the Requisite Development of Action-oriented Theological Knowledge, (Diss1972) Hildesheim 1975, 197 pages

Selected articles, lectures et alia – German (four in English in bold)

Healing Processes in the Perspective of an Enlightened Theology in Intercultural Contexts,
Lecture delivered on 28th of January 2013 at the United Theological College in Bangalore /India, accepted for publication in Masihi Sevak, India 2013, 12p.

Enlightened Preaching in the Context of Academic Theology und the Doctrine of Justification,
in: W. Zager (editor), Credibly Speaking about God, Leipzig 2012, p. 147-169

Enlightened Preaching in the Tradition of Paul Tillich, in S. Göpferich and others (editors), Movement by Language, Insingen 2012, p.137-153

Christian Witness in a Secular Society, Lecture delivered in the international process of the Evangelical Mission in Solidarity, Giving Account of our Hope – Christian Witness in a Pluralistic World,
Part: Theological Training in the Presence of the Other, near Tübingen 2011, 10 p.

Healing Processes in the Perspective of an Enlightened Theology in Intercultural Contexts, Lecture delivered at the Academy of Mission in Hamburg, 2012, scheduled for publication in the first volume of the series of Books: Studies on Intercultural Theology at the Academy of Mission at the University of Hamburg, 2013, 27 p.

Analysis of Intercultural Differences, Lecture given at the Academy of Mission in Hamburg, 2011, 8 p.

Migration and Integration, in: C. Burfeind and others (editors) Religion and Urbanity, Münster et alia 2009, p. 9-39

Fundamental Considerations regarding Juju / Witchcraft against the Background of Women,
who are Bewitched before Sold to be Prostitutes, Lecture given at the Womens Right Organisation „Womens Rights are Human Rights), Frankfurt on Main 2009, 9 p.

Structured Secondary Feedback and Feedback Partnerships, in: H Streib and others editors), Lived Religion, Leiden and Boston 2008, p. 231-239

Justice as Part of Spirituality. History and Present Time of the Protestant French-Presbyterian Congregation Frankfurt on Main, in: W. Kahl and others (editors), Mission Intercultural, Aachen 2008, p. 83-89

Response to Martin Ajei (M.phil, University of Ghana, Legon), Who is the Measure? The Relationship between God and Man in Akan Epistemology, delivered at the Congress of The United Africanists in Germany, Frankfurt on Main 2006, 2 p.

Nonverbal Communication and “Theological Education”, Report on a Sabbatical with Focal Points on Ghana and nonverbal Communication, 2006, 91 p.

“Faith as Ultimate Concern” (Paul Tillich) – a Frame of Reference for a Modern, Sensuous and Social-diaconical Theology after the Age of Enlightenment, Delivered at the Presbyterian School for Adult Education in Frankfurt on Main, 2004

Mediating Praxis and Theory in Theological Education directed to „Delivering Casual Speeches, Preaching and Celebrating the Gospel“ - A learning Field of Solidary Educational Forms, English Version of the following Text in Preparation of a Visit to Boston University (USA) and Harvard Divinity School, 2004; 24 p.

Cross-phase Theological Education directed to “Preaching and Celebrating the Gospel” – A Learning Field of Solidary Educational Forms), in: Przegląd Homilijyczny (Trans.: Homiletic Journal), 7 (2003) Warsaw p. 25-33, published in Polish

The Presbyterian Confessions in Frankfurt-on-Main (since 1554) particularly the Way and Profile of the Protestant French-Presbyterian Church through Charitable Service, Confessing Church, Integration and Human Rights Work, delivered at the Lutheran Ministry in Frankfurt on Main, 2003, 27 p.

Salvation for People, because they are People - Ten Theses and one Sermon, in: M. Witte (editor), One God and the World of Religions, p. 445-454, Würzburg 2003

“ ... but Together we will Advocate for Life” - the Importance of the Group in the Homiletic Education and Further Training, Article together with H.-E. Thomé and R. Zerfass, in: M. Steinhäuser and W. Ratzmann (editors), Didactic Models of Practical Theology, Leipzig 2002,

p. 436-497

Christian Doctrine of Faith and Educational Attitude, in: M. Witte (editor), Religious Culture - on the Relationship of Religion and Culture in Society, Würzburg 2001, p. 83-109

A living Protestant Church in a Changing City, in: Recommendations of the "Committee on the Future of the Church" of the Managing Committee of the Protestant Regional Association of Frankfurt-on-Main, Frankfurt 1988, p. 46-69

Main Subjects of Teaching

SS 1998 - SS 1999 until 2010: Three-semester sequence: Cross-Phase Theological Education directed to "Preaching and Celebrating the Gospel" with Prof. Dr. Hans-Günter Heimbrock, Prof. Dr. Michael Thiele, amongst others: Rhetoric, Homiletic and Liturgic

2000 to 2002 and 2004- 2007: Three-year-curriculum in the *field of further training*: Qualification in the field of action of services (six-week curriculum with designed interim phases for pastors of the Protestant Church of Hessen and Nassau at prominent locations or with special functions) with Rev. Prof. Dr. H. E. Thomé, amongst others:
Rhetoric, Homiletic and Liturgic

Both projects were designed to develop the personal growth of the students and encourage them to deliver speeches and sermons

After retirement smaller projects in Practical and Intercultural Theology in several places.