

# Curriculum Vita

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## Educational background:

Fordham University	<i>Ph.D.</i> , Constructive Theology	2005
<i>Thesis topic:</i> “Liberating News: An Emerging U.S. Hispanic/ Latina Soteriology of the Crossroads”		
Fordham University	<i>M.Phil.</i>	2000
Andover Newton Theological School	<i>M.Div.</i>	1990
Tuskegee University, School of Vet Med	<i>DVM</i>	1979
University of Puerto Rico, Río Piedras	<i>B.Sc.</i> , Biology major	1975

## Licenses/ ordination:

Ordained, American Baptist Churches/USA	1990
Licensed to preach: <i>Iglesia Bautista Cristiana de Soundview</i>	1989
Licensed to practice veterinary medicine in Alabama, and Florida, Georgia and Puerto Rico (licenses currently active: Florida and Georgia). Accredited by USDA/APHIS	1979

## Continued Education/ Educational Activities

- The New Leadership Academy of the National Center for Institutional Diversity, University of Michigan—2016/2017 cohort
- Christian Leadership Institute of the American Jewish Council and Hartman Institute (Jerusalem, Israel)—2016/2017 cohort
- ACE Spectrum Aspiring Leaders Program, American Council on Education, Oak Brook, Illinois—October 2015
- Required to complete 30 hours of CE every two years to maintain my veterinary licenses active.
- Advanced course on echocardiogram, 1990
- Advanced course on computer applications and word processing, 1990

- Basic course in computer applications and word processing, 1989
- Basic course in echocardiogram, 1989
- Methods for Clinical Teaching, UPR/ Medical Sciences Campus, 1983
- Inferential Statistics Workshop, UPR/ Medical Sciences Campus, 1982
- Clinical Teaching Workshop, UPR/ Medical Sciences Campus, 1982
- Seminar on Academic Administration, Office of the Dean of Studies, UPR/ Medical Sciences Campus, 1989

**Professional Experience:**

*Vice President of Academic Affairs/Dean*, and Professor of Constructive Theology, Lexington Theological Seminary, 2017–Present

*Responsibilities:* Assist President as part of leadership and administrative team. Specifically, the VP/Dean is expected to:

Leadership, administration, and financial oversight of development, implementation and evaluation of all educational programs, degreed and non-degreed.

Leadership, support, supervision, and evaluation of the faculty

Administration of the seminary's relations with accrediting and licensing agencies

Oversight of instructional resources such as library and instructional technology

Engagement in scholarship in my field

Supervision of:

Director of Library

Director of D.Min., Lay School and CE Programs

Coordinator of Mentor Program/ Clergy Care

Director of Instructional Designer/ Educational Technologist

Registrar and Director of Financial Aid

Administrative assistant and staff

Liaison with Board of Trustees through the Academic and Student Life Committee

Teach courses in my field of specialty

*Accomplishments:* Strategized to increase enrollment

Creating ecumenical partnerships

Revamped and revitalizing the MPS program, including RCS track and creation of Spiritual Formation and Care, and Creation Care and Ecotheology tracks

Revising and revitalizing the D.Min. program; it is currently LTS' second strongest program

Revised delivery for the Certificate in Hispanic Ministries Program, and incorporated it into the budgetary structures of the seminary as a self-sustaining program

Implemented the Certificate in Continuing Education program

Institutionalized past practices through documentation and policy development

Assisted in the articulation of policy for contingent part-time faculty and for dismissal and termination of faculty

Helped in the articulation of the Pathways for Tomorrow Initiative grant and the implementation of related academic programs

Revamped MTS; created MTS in African American Studies and bilingual MTS in Latinx Studies.

(Together with Academic Coordinator of Pathways Grant, Dr. Doris García) Created rubrics and implemented strategies for Prior Learning Assessment program

Created D.Min. course, "Building Theological Capacity for Contemporary Contexts"

***Professor, Constructive Theology***, Palmer Theological Seminary of Eastern University, 2005–2017

*Responsibilities:* Teach core courses in Systematic Theology, electives in constructive and contextual theologies

Invited lecturer on topics: embodiment, resurrection, spirituality, vocation, and soteriology.

Lead professor for joint Palmer-ABC/USA joint course offering—responsible for writing syllabus, coordinating lectures among the various faculty members, and providing a theological foundation for "justice."

Committees—chaired 4 of the five committees, including the Dean Search Committee (see "Committees").

Student advisement and mentoring (average 2-3 students per year).

*Accomplishments:* Participated in re-visioning and restructuring Systematics core course to be more holistic and praxeological, and better in consonant with Trinitarian framework.

Created course to strengthen student critical thinking skills. Created and mentored a team of professors to teach it.

Responsible for recruiting students to enroll in the Hispanic Summer Program, and for having Eastern University/ Palmer Seminary become a sponsoring institution of the HSP from 2010 until 2014.

Selected as 2010 faculty of the HSP, offered Theology and a Movie course bilingually. Taught for HSP for summer session of 2015.

The Orlando E. Costas Lecture has been described as one of the premier lectureships of Palmer Seminary. Original proposal submitted in 2006 with continuation of lectures to date.

Received Wabash grant (\$5,000.00) for a pilot program to determine how Palmer could further its diverse population, and take us to the “next level” of being an anti-racist institution. Founder and chair of Diversity Committee.

Drafted EU Doctrinal statement in format and wording that was approved and adopted by the Board of Trustees.

Of special note: First Latina woman at Palmer Seminary to be tenured and accorded the rank of full professor.

***Visiting Professor,*** Andover Newton Theological School, Newton Centre, MA, 2007

*Responsibilities:* Invited to teach a summer intensive in the field of systematic theology.

***Interim Pastor,*** Iglesia Bautista de la Comunidad, Queens, NY, 2005

*Responsibilities:* Rebuild infrastructure and leadership of church. Preach, teach, and lead worship. Administer sacraments. Visitation, counseling and administrative duties.

*Accomplishments:* Held church elections and created new leadership (Board of Deacons, Board of Trustees, new Sunday School teachers, Board of Christian Education).

Educated the church regarding Baptist polity and New York State laws regarding Free Churches.

Baptized 12 new members, carried out other pastoral duties. Church attendance grew from 35 to 125 in a 4-month period.

Created a template for a church bulletin, obtained an office phone, delegated responsibilities, created an extra weekday Bible study session.

**Teaching Fellow**, Fordham University, Rose Hill Campus, Bronx, NY, 2000—2001

*Responsibilities:* Taught “Faith and Reason Critical Reason” to first-year college students, student advisement and academic support for course when needed; develop course material, lesson planning.

*Accomplishments:* Introduced issues of pluralism and diversity.

**Adjunct professor**, Hartford Seminary, Hartford, Connecticut, 1996—1998

*Responsibilities:* Taught Religious Education courses in English and Spanish for the Hispanic Ministries Program.

**Adjunct professor**, New York Theological Seminary, New York City, 1993—1995

*Responsibilities:* Taught Systematic Theology and Religious Education classes for the Hispanic Certificate Program.

**Associate Pastor**, Iglesia Bautista Cristiana de Soundview, Bronx, New York, 1990—2005

*Responsibilities:* Direct youth ministries, direct retreat and other special services, coordinate bilingual services, supervise administrative personnel as required, home visitation, counseling, crisis management, training, leading worship and officiate of sacraments, preaching, teaching, coordinating media equipment, translation as required, represent the church in denominational and other regional or national meetings, assist pastor in administrative as required. Founded *Academia Teo/Logos*; subsequently hired and supervised personnel/ faculty, taught, and directed the school.

*Accomplishments:* Computerized the church records and other administrative functions.

Initiated bilingual ministry including a newsletter.

Applied for, and received, funding (\$250.00) in ongoing efforts counter the high school dropout rate among Latinx youth, and to encourage them to consider ministerial vocation and/or studies in higher education.

Founded and directed *Academia Teo/Logos* to train grassroots constituencies in teaching practices, Bible and theological foundations. *Teo/Logos* included a literacy class to teach reading and math skills to neighborhood participants.

**Adjunct professor**, Center for Urban Ministerial Education (CUME)/ Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary, Boston, Massachusetts, 1988—1992

*Responsibilities:* Taught courses in English and Spanish.

*Accomplishments:* Created the course “Songs of Deborah” to empower grassroots Latina women and women of color to articulate their theological viewpoints.

***Coordinator for Student Advisement and Academic Programming***, Center for Urban Ministerial Education (CUME)/ Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary, Boston, Massachusetts, 1988—1990

*Responsibilities:* Provide academic advisement for CUME students, develop the library—identifying resources to add its collection, and identify how to best organize those resources in accordance with the recognized library catalogue system, begin the physical shelving, and develop ways to make the library resources more accessible to CUME students; teach in English and Spanish

*Accomplishments:* Increased library holdings, supervised first stages of development of library, identified some key issues such as time management that concerned adult student learners.

Successfully engaged with a diverse student population that included Latinx, Brazilians, African Americans, and Euro-Americans.

***Veterinary Practice: Relief Veterinarian***, Hospital Animal de Calle Degetau/ Degetau Animal Hospital, Calle Degetau, Caguas, Puerto Rico, 1984—86

*Responsibilities:* Primary veterinary medical doctor on premises twice a week; internal medicine, surgery, prescribed medication, medical and emergency treatment, radiology, and all other responsibilities as permitted by law and ascribed to the profession of veterinary medical practice. Supervised all ancillary staff on premises. Maintained records as prescribed by law.

***Private Veterinary Practice***, Carolina, Puerto Rico (1979—1983), and Clínica Veterinaria Acuario, Calle Acuario, Río Piedras, Puerto Rico (1984—1988)

*Responsibilities:* Owner of practice and primary veterinary medical doctor of premises. Internal medicine; diagnosis, treatment and prescription of conditions of primary small animal practice with occasional large animal and specialty (pocket pet, farm animal, reptile) animal; also surgery, dental, and limited diagnostic laboratory functions. Maintained records as prescribed by law. Supervised ancillary staff. Ensured that all federal and state laws were obeyed. Maintained administrative duties associated with business side of practice. Fulfilled all duties as ascribed by law for practice of veterinary medicine.

*Accomplishments:* Note: First Puerto Rican woman to practice veterinary medicine in Puerto Rico.

In 1985 initiated first home/ mobile practice (for owners of guard dogs that protected business, and seniors unable to bring pets to clinic) in Puerto Rico.

Along with a colleague, developed in the 1980s a highly effective treatment regime that reduced the mortality rate to 10% (versus 90% mortality rate in the US) against what was then a relatively new disease called Parvovirus.

***Assistant Professor/ Catedrática Auxiliar***, Universidad de Puerto Rico/ Recinto de Ciencias Médicas/ Colegio de Profesiones, Programa de Tecnología de Salud Animal, Río Piedras, Puerto Rico, 1979—1986

***Responsibilities:*** Implemented proposal for a four-year veterinary technology program. Assisted in budget development and implementation, and other administrative duties. Taught various courses and served as Field Practice site supervisor.

***Accomplishments:*** Designed the classrooms that are still in use today, hired veterinary faculty and ancillary staff, began the accreditation process (it is the only four-year, Bachelor's degree Veterinary Technology program in the US and Canada that is accredited at present time).

Mentored students interested in pursuing professional studies, four whom continued studies in veterinary medicine. Recruited the first three graduating classes of the program.

Refined the curriculum that became the template for the program and wrote the preliminary course syllabi for all the courses.

Identified and developed field practicum sites and developed rubrics for assessing field practice experience of students.

Drafted public relations material for program.

Served on Committee for *La Casa de Animales*, which housed and oversaw the welfare of all animals being used for experimentation or surgical practice. With the abrupt departure of the Director of *La Casa*, ensured that facility complied with Federal mandates for the welfare of animals. Re-invigorated and re-organized *La Casa* employees and ensured that all animals were properly housed in the facility. Assisted in hiring of *La Casa* new Director, and assisted in the UPR/ Medical Sciences campus receiving Federal accreditation for *La Casa* facilities.

***Tutor for Pathology department***, School of Veterinary Medicine, Tuskegee University, Tuskegee, Alabama, 1977—79

*Responsibilities:* Tutored or otherwise aided referred students enrolled in Pathology and Clinical Pathology. Reviewed class lectures. Responded to students' concerns about course material, or responded to professor's suggestions about any help they believed particular students should be receiving.

*Accomplishments:* Created a hands-on "wet lab" experience where students could see clinical cases that led to given pathologies that they later saw in class slides, included trips to necropsy labs to observe necropsy, handle actual pathology specimens (thus linking praxis with theory).

Developed a methodology of study for students that strengthened their critical thinking skills as well as time management skills.

***Veterinary Student Trainee***, USDA/APHIS, Veterinary Services, Puerto Rico

*Responsibilities:* Under the supervision of a licensed veterinarian, examined domestic farm animals for diseases that are transmissible to humans. Included taking blood samples from dairy and meat cattle for brucellosis testing, administered TB test, read results, took samples to State Pathology lab, advised owners of proper husbandry techniques, provided limited veterinary care when required.

**Latina/o ministries**

*Hispanic Summer Program, 2010—2014*

- Served on the Governing Board as representative for Palmer Theological Seminary
- Served on the Board's Academic Committee until 2013: responsible for developing curricular offerings and deciding on faculty for the HSP of the subsequent summer
- Taught bilingual course "La Teología y el Cine: Panorámica de Teologías Contextualizadas," 2010
- Taught "Pentecost and Pedagogy: Creative Explorations in Pneumatology/ Pentecostés y Pedagogía: Exploraciones Creativas en Pnuematología" (bilingual), 2015.
- Awarded the Justo L. González Professorship Award for Excellence in Theological Scholarship, 2010

*Hispanic Theological Initiative*

- Involved as student in 1999, and served as faculty since 2005
  - Founding member of "Latinas in Theology"
  - Offered workshops on Career Development for Dissertation level students: discussed how to prepare CVs and relevant documents, and how to prepare for interviews. Created mock interviews for role-playing



- Created, developed, and recruited persons to donate to HTI's Dissertation Collection, a central bank of Ph.D. dissertation works by Latin@ scholars that Princeton Seminary acknowledges as one of its premier collections.
- HTI Mentor, 2012—13; 2014—15; 2017 to present
- Book recognition awarded and panel presenter in 2013 for *Latina Evangélicas: A Theological Survey from the Margins*.
- Co-resource for workshop for dissertation students on how to prepare for comprehensive exams, 2014.
- Co-resource for Workshop on Mentoring, 2017.
- Served as a Sage for Latinas in Leadership, a Lilly Endowment, Inc. grant project, 2020–present.

#### *Association for Hispanic Theological Education*

- Founding member of AETH and part of the group (1990) that organized the first gathering that led its formation in 1991
- Was instrumental in writing the first draft of the constitution
- Was instrumental in ensuring that the name of the organization was gender neutral
- Keynote preacher at the second gathering of AETH, 1992
- Served on the Board in various leadership roles between 1991—1996
- Vice-President of Board, 1994

#### **Academic and Professional Awards**

- Distinguished Fellow for the 2024 Baptist Scholars International Roundtable (BSIR)
- La Comunidad of Hispanic Scholars of Religion of AAR/SBL Lifetime Achievement Award, 2022
- The 2017 Orlando E. Costas Faculty Award from Palmer Theological Seminary for “exemplary dedication to community transformation and justice in teaching ministry.”
- The Richard Hoiland Award for Excellence in Christian Education, American Baptist Home Missions, 2015
- The Justo L. González Professorship Award for Excellence in Theological Scholarship, Hispanic Summer Program, 2010
- Inducted into *Phi Kappa Phi* for Academic Excellence in Higher Education, 2002
- Hispanic Theological Initiative Dissertation Year Awardee, 1999
- Graduated with Honors (highest GPA of graduating class), Andover Newton Theological School, 1990
- Student Speaker, Commencement Exercises, 1990
- Koinonia Award for Excellence in Preaching, 1990

- Massachusetts Bible Society Award for Excellence in the Public Reading of Scripture, 1990
- American Bible Society Award for Achievement in Biblical Studies, 1990
- Russell Chase Tuck Award for Excellence in Biblical Studies, 1990
- Inducted into Jonathan Edwards Theological Society, 1988
- Scholar of the Fund for Theological Education, 1987-89
- Leola and George Kelsey Honor Scholarship for Minority Students, 1986-89
- Graduated with Honors, Tuskegee University, School of Veterinary Medicine, 1979
- Matthew Jenkins Award (for being the good citizen), 1979
- Inducted in Phi Beta Rho Honor Society, 1979
- National Dean's List, 1978—79
- Honor Roll, Tuskegee Institute, 1976—79
- Graduated Magna Cum Laude, University of Puerto Rico, 1975

## Teaching

### *Lexington Theological Seminary*

- DMin Program core courses
  - Building Theological Frameworks for Contemporary Contexts (newly created for online)
- Original courses created and implemented
  - Holy Spirit: Beyond Santa and Star Wars
  - Teaching Difficult Topics in Theology: Trinity

### *Palmer Theological Seminary*

- Core courses
  - Systematic Theology I and II
  - Integrative Seminar
  - Theological Foundations
  - Systematic Theology and Ethics: Vision of Community
  - Systematic Theology and Ethics: Reign of God
- Joint ABC/USA and Palmer Seminary course
  - Speak Until Justice Wakes (lead professor)
- Original courses created and implemented
  - Critical Analysis for Theological Studies
  - Theology and a Movie: Survey of Contextual Theologies
  - Search for Jesus: A Contextual Approach to Christology
  - Gifting Spirit: A Pneumatological Exploration
  - Teaching Difficult Topics in Theology

- Introduction to Latin@ Theologies

***Hispanic Summer Program***

- La Teología y el Cine: Panorámica de Teologías Contextualizadas (bilingual)
- Pentecost, Theology, and Pedagogy: Creative Explorations in Pneumatology (bilingual)

***Andover Newton Theological School***

- Christology Seminar

***Fordham University, Department of Theology***

- Faith and Critical Reason

***Hartford Seminary, Hispanic Ministries Program***

- Introducción a la Teología Sistemática
- Foundations for Christian Education
- Fundamentos de la Educación Cristiana

***New York Theological Seminary***

- Introducción a la Teología Sistemática
- Fundamentos de la Educación Cristiana

***Center for Urban Ministerial Education***

- Teaching Practices and Principles
- Prácticas y Principios de la Enseñanza
- Cántico de Débora: Mujeres Latinas Teologizando
- Song of Deborah: Women Doing Theological Reflection

***Programa de Tecnología de Salud Animal***

- Anatomy
- Parasitology
- Pharmacology
- Surgical Assistance
- Clinical Practice for Animal Health Technologists
- Clinical Pathology for Animal Health Technologists
- Identified and supervised Field Practice sites
  - Developed rubrics for field practice sites

**Doctoral Projects/ Candidates Directed**

- D.Min. Committee, Palmer Seminary, Jesse Coale, “The Antioch Initiative: Fostering A Multicultural Ethos in a Monocultural Environment,” May 2014.
- Ph.D. Comprehensive Examination Committee (External Reader), Graduate Theological Union, Horacio R. Da Valle, “*Imago Dei* and Latino/a Theologies,” 2014—15.

- MTS project, Doreen Poole, Pneumatology, Palmer Seminary, Spring 2014.
- MTS project, Jeffrey Tucker, Christology, Palmer Seminary, Fall 2009.
- MTS project, Courtney Davis-Olds, Soteriology, Palmer Seminary, Fall 2008.
- MTS project, Sandy Adams, Christology, Palmer Seminary, Fall 2008.

### **Professional Presentations**

- “Surviving and Thriving as an Academic Dean”—Presentation at ATS CAOS meeting, Orlando, Florida, April 13, 2023.
- “The God who IS”—Antoinette Brown Lecture, Vanderbilt Divinity School, April 11, 2022
- “Emergent Diseases, Climate Change, and the Viral Nature of Racism: The Spirit’s Call to Breathe”—Society for Pentecostal Studies, March 25, 2022.
- “Distance Education: Creative Transitions in a Time of COVID-19 and Beyond,” Webinar for Vancouver School of Theology, September 2, 2020.
- “Going Online for the Fall?—Glean Wisdom from Some with Experience in Online Teaching and Formation,” with Mary Young and Richard Benson—ATS Webinar, May 28, 2020.
- “Trinity: Model for Society”—Teach-in: The Church and Sexual Ethics, Lexington Theological Seminary, Lexington, May 2019.
- “Evangélicas and Ethics: Discerning the Prophetic Place of Hidden Voices”—Panel Presentation, Annual Meeting of the Society of Christian Ethics, Louisville, Kentucky, January 2019.
- “Foreign Bodies in Academic Spaces”—Workshop for Women in Leadership 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, Association for Theological Education, Pittsburgh, February 2018.
- “Our Inheritance.”—Keynote Sermon, Philadelphia Baptist Association, 310<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Meeting, St. Paul Baptist Church, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, May 2017.
- “Called to be Neighbor: Global Missions in a Globalized World”—Underwood Lecture, New Brunswick Theological Seminary, New Brunswick, New Jersey, April 2017.
- “Theological Education after Ferguson: Panel Presentation”—ATS Biennial, St. Louis, Missouri, June 2016 (panel presenter).
- “*Remembranza*: A Personal History About the Hispanic Theological Initiative.”—Hispanic Theological Initiative twentieth anniversary celebration, HTI Summer Workshop, Princeton, New Jersey, June 2016.

- “Globalization and Urban Ministries”—New Brunswick Theological Seminary, New Brunswick, New Jersey, March 2016.
- “Speaking in Difference: The Church’s Response to Diversity in a Globalized World”—Barton Lecture, Perkins School of Theology/ Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas, February 2016.
- “Mañana—Constructing Latina/o Theologies: Issues and Opportunities”—La Comunidad of Hispanic Scholars of the AAR/SBL panel presentation, Atlanta, Georgia, 2015.
- “Vísteme de Prisa Que Voy de Espacio: An *Evangélica* Eschatology”—ABC/USA Pre-Biennial Gathering of Scholars and Theological Educators, Overland Park, Kansas, 2013.
- “Resurrección Integral”—Presentation, *Crossing Borders Conference*, Austin Presbyterian Seminary and Seminary of the Southwest, Texas, 2013.
- “Our Bodies: Another Text in the Classroom Space”—Pre-Tenured Theological Faculty Workshop, Wabash Center, Crawfordsville, Indiana, 2011.
- “My GPS Does Not Work in Puerto Rico: An *Evangélica* Spirituality”—ABC/USA Pre-Biennial Gathering of Scholars and Theological Educators, San Juan, Puerto Rico, 2011.
- “Reading Against the Grain: Scripture and Constructive *Evangélica* Theology,” for SBL-AAR Consultation on Bible and Theology—American Academy of Religion, 2010.
- “Multimedia as a Pedagogical Tool in Theology.” Pre-Tenured Theological Faculty Workshop, Wabash Center. Crawfordsville, Indiana, 2010.
- “Spanglish Spirituality: An *Evangélica* Response.” Panel presentation—Installation of Dr. Edwin Aponte as Dean, Lancaster Seminary, 2007.
- “An *Evangélica* Response to Dr. Christine Pohl.” Panel presentation—Association of Theological Schools, Women in Leadership on topic of “Living on the Boundaries: Evangelical Women, Feminism, and the Theological Academy.” Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, 2007.
- “Creating a Sacred Space: An *Iglesia Evangélica* Response to Global Homelessness,” for Practical Theology Group Session theme of “Strangers Among Us: Immigrants in the US Church”—American Academy of Religion, 2007.
- “Latina Women and the Bible.” Workshop for Latina Theologian Pastoralist Conference. Our Lady of the Lake University, San Antonio, Texas, 2005.
- “Contributions to *Mujerista/ Latina/ Hispanic Women’s Theologies.*” Panel presentation for Association of Theological Schools, Women in Leadership—“Racial/ Ethnic Women in Theological Education.” Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, 2004.

**Sermons/ Workshops**

“Don’t You Care.”—HTI *Open Plaza*, Blog, April 17, 2022.

<https://www.htiopenplaza.org/content/dont-you-care>

“Lenten Reflection: The God Who Is,” AETH, March 30, 2022.

Panel presentation—Latina Leadership Program, Hispanic Theological Initiative, March 19, 2022.

“Expiration Date.”—HTI *Open Plaza*, Blog, December 27, 2021.

<https://www.htiopenplaza.org/content/expiration-date>

“Complicated Grief in Extraordinary Times,” with Rev. Dr. Yvonne Martínez Thorne.—HTI *Open Plaza*, Podcast, June 14, 2021. <https://www.htiopenplaza.org/content/complicated-grief-in-extraordinary-times>

“I Am Not Your Virus—COVID-19 and Creation Care.”—HTI *Open Plaza*, Podcast, March 22, 2021. <https://www.htiopenplaza.org/content/i-am-not-your-virus>

“Answering the Call.”—HTI *Open Plaza*, Podcast, October 19, 2020.

<https://www.htiopenplaza.org/content/answering-the-call>

“Try Jesus.”—HTI *Open Plaza*, Podcast, August 24, 2020.

<https://www.htiopenplaza.org/content/try-jesus>

Panel presentation—Latina Leadership Program, Hispanic Theological Initiative, June 27, 2020.

“Prayer of Comfort,” National Council of Churches, “A Time to Mourn: Ecumenical Memorial Service for Lives Lost to COVID-19,” May 24, 2020.

“El Grito del Silencio.”—HTI *Open Plaza*, Blog, May 13, 2020.

<https://www.htiopenplaza.org/content/el-grito-del-silencio>

“Try Jesus”—Kentucky Council of Churches, Morehead, KY, October 25, 2019.

“*Remembranzas: Crossing the Borders of Amnesia*”—The *F Word Project*, held at Lexington Theological Seminary, Lexington, Kentucky, September 2019.

“Crossing the Border of Difference”—Workshop, Christian Church in Kentucky Biennial Assembly, Louisville, Kentucky, October 2018.

“Speaking in Difference: The Church’s Response to Migration in a Globalized World”—Kentucky Retired Disciples of Christ Ministers, Berea, Kentucky, April 2018.

“*Remembranzas: Crossing the Borders of Amnesia*”—New Covenant Baptists Annual Meeting, Atlanta, Georgia, September 2017.

- “*Remembranza*—Charge to the Candidate: Ordination of Armando Sedo,” Grace Baptist Church, Blue Bell, Pennsylvania, January 2017.
- “The Sower: Recognition of Rev. Dr. Roy Medley—Presentation before Governing Board”—National Council of Churches, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, November 2016.
- “Breathe”—Sermon for Ocean Park Association, Ocean Park, Maine, August 2015.
- “Pa’ tras, Ni Pa’ Impulso”—Anniversary Sermon, Iglesia Bautista de Mt. Pleasant, New Jersey, October 2014.
- “Desafíos y Oportunidades del Llamado en Medio de la Comunidad Latina y Su Repercusión en la Educación Teológica,” *Cumbre Visión Latina 20/20*, American Baptist Churches/USA, Los Angeles, California, 2014.
- “Discerning Vocation”—Workshop for American Baptist Home Missions Society, Young Adult Leadership Experience (August 1), King of Prussia, Pennsylvania, August 2014.
- “Caminante, Descubre tu Camino”—Sermon for Ordination Service for Rev. Angel Pagán, Jr. (June 21), Calvary Baptist Church, Norristown, PA, 2014.
- “Encarnando las Buenas Nuevas de Cristo en un Mundo Quebrantado”—Sermon (April 18), Asociación de Iglesias Bautistas de Habla Hispana (ABC/USA-NYC), Good Friday joint service, Bronx, New York, 2014.
- “Escatología: Visión de la Obra en Medio Nuestro”—Workshop (September 14), NJ-ABC Association of Hispanic Ministries, Annual Meeting, Trenton, New Jersey, 2013.
- “Resurrección Integral: Visión de Dios Para Vida Completa, Abundante, y Eterna (John 11: 17-27)”—Sermon, *Crossing Borders Conference*, Austin Presbyterian Seminary and Seminary of the Southwest, Texas, 2013.
- “Pick Up the Words.”—Keynote Commencement Address, Esperanza College, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 2012.
- “How Do You Know? (Luke 7: 36-50)”—Homily, Interseminary Seminar, Palmer Theological Seminary of Eastern University, Wynnewood, Pennsylvania, 2011.
- “Rindiendo Servicio al Señor (Lucas 7: 36-50)”—73<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary of La Hermosa Disciples of Christ Church and 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Ordination of Rev. Dr. Daisy L. Machado, Dean of Union Theological Seminary, Manhattan, New York, 2011.
- “How Do I Love You: Let Me Count the Ways (John 21: 17-22)”—Sermon for Ordination service for Dr. Yvonne Martínez Thorne, First Baptist Church of Landsdale, Landsdale, Pennsylvania 2011.
- “Remembering”—Eucharist and Anniversary Sermon celebrating 13<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Rev. Ernest Flores, Second Baptist Church of Germantown, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 2010.

“El Que Llama y Lloro, El Que Responde y Vive (John 11: 20-29)—Sermon for Rev. Miriam Báez Installation service, Primera Iglesia Bautista de New London, New London, Connecticut, 2010.

“*Burrito* Ministry”—Charge to the Candidate. Ordination of Rev. Rebecca Irwin, Second Baptist Church of Germantown, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 2009.

“Career Orientation Workshops,” Hispanic Theological Initiative, Princeton Theological Seminary, New Jersey, 2007—09.

“Nurturing Vocation.” Workshop, American Baptist Churches/ Association of Hispanic Clergy of New York City, Bronx, New York, 2007.

“La Iglesia y el Ministerio de la Enseñanza.” Workshop, Iglesia Bautista de Pennsauken, New Jersey, 2006.

“Forging Prophetic Alliances.” Worship reflection for Association of Theological Schools, Women in Leadership—“Racial/ Ethnic Women and White Women Building Alliances in Theological Education.” Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, 2005.

### **Wabash Center-related Events and Grant Projects**

Pre-Tenure for Faculty of Theological Schools Leadership Team, 2011—12.

“Teaching Theology in a Global and Transnational World”—Consultation and Colloquy group, funded by Wabash Center, 2011.

*Project director*—Pre-tenure research project: “Spirituality and the Academy: A Latina *Evangélica* Perspective,” 2010.

*Project director*—Consultation and Colloquy, “Latina/o *Evangélica/o* Pedagogy” at Palmer Seminary, 2010.

“Teaching and Learning Workshop for Pre-Tenure Faculty of Theological Schools,” 2009—10.

“Teaching Colloquy for Teaching Latino/a Faculty at Colleges, Universities, and Theological Schools,” 2008—09.

*Project director*—Grant for “Developing Pedagogical Approaches That Foster Multicultural/ Multiracial/ Multiethnic Diversity” at Palmer Theological Seminary, 2008—09.

“Colloquy on Fostering Effective Teaching and Learning in Racial/ Cultural Diverse Classrooms,” 2006—07.

### **Publications**

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### **Professional Associations**

- Board member, Newman Foundation, Inc., Lexington, Kentucky, 2019—present
- *President*, La Comunidad of Hispanic Scholars of Religion (RSO of AAR/SBL), 2016—2019
- Christian Leadership Institute, American Jewish Council—2016–17 cohort
- National Council of Churches Convening Table: Theological Dialogue and Matters of Faith and Order, 2014—present
- Society of Race, Ethnicity and Religion, 2013—2015
- South Jersey Veterinary Medical Association, 2007—2018
- American Academy of Religion, 1998—present
- President, Board of Directors of American Baptist Churches/ Metropolitan New York, 1994—96
- Vice President, Executive Council of the Association for Hispanic Theological Education, 1994—96
- Vice President, Board of Directors of American Baptist Churches, Metropolitan New York, 1993—94
- Founding member of the Executive Council of the Association for Hispanic Theological Education, 1991—94
- Association for Animal Technician Educators, 1980—83
- American Animal Hospital Association, 1979—96

- Puerto Rico Veterinary Medical Association (renamed College of Veterinary Medical Doctors of Puerto Rico), 1979—88
- American Veterinary Medical Association, 1979—Present
- American Society of Veterinary Ethology, 1977—78
- (Founder and member) Tuskegee chapter of Christian Veterinary Fellowship, 1977—79
- Student American Veterinary Medical Association, 1975—79

**Committees:**

- *Chair*, Faculty Search for Donald and Lillian Nunnely Chair for Pastoral Leadership, 2023
- *Chair*, Faculty Search for Christian Theology, Lexington Theological Seminary, 2022
- Hispanic Theological Initiative—Latina Leadership Program task force and sage, 2020–2023.
- As Dean, I am member *ex officio* of all academic committees including the Student Complaint Board
- *Chair*, Promotion and Tenure Committee, 2013—2017
- EU Governing Board “Palmer Seminary Site Selection” Sub-Committee, 2013—2015
- *Chair*, Palmer Seminary Dean Search Committee, 2011—14
- Hispanic Summer Program, Governing Board—Academic Committee, 2011—13
- Presidential appointment to Hispanic Summer Program Governing Board as EU representative, 2010—14
- *Chair*, (and founder) Palmer Theological Seminary, Diversity Committee, 2009—2017
- Association of Theological Schools Women in Leadership Committee, 2008—10
- Eastern University, Board of Trustees, Ad Hoc Faith and Practice Committee—responsible for the restructuring and rewording of the University’s doctrinal statement, 2007—11
- *Chair* (and founder), Palmer Theological Seminary, Orlando E. Costas Lectureship Planning Committee, 2006—2017
- Review and Selection Committee for the Contextualized Urban Theological Education Enablement Program, Center for Urban Ministerial Education, Gordon Conwell Theological Seminary, 1994—95

- Final Selection Committee for Hispanic American Fellowships, Fund for Theological Education, 1991—93
- Planning Committee for Biennial of the American Baptist Churches/USA, Local Church Community Ministries program, 1990—91
- Planning Committee of First National Encuentro of Hispanic Educators in Ministry, 1990—91
- Orlando E. Costas Hispanic and Latin American Ministries Program Advisory Board, 1989—94
- *Chair*, Planning Committee for Women's Listening Conference: *Lifting Voices, Praising Gifts*, Center for Urban Ministerial Education, 1989—90
- Review Committee for candidates for Leola and George Kelsey Scholarship Award for Minority Students, Andover Newton Theological School, 1989—90
- Dean's Search Committee for Andover Newton Theological School, 1988—89
- Committee for the Approval of Centers for Practice for Graduates of Non-accredited Schools of Veterinary Medicine, Council of Higher Education, 1982—83
- *Chair*, Animal Care Committee of the School of Medicine, Medical Sciences Campus/ University of Puerto Rico, 1981—83
- *National Chairperson*, Minority Student Affairs Committee of the Student American Veterinary Medical Association, 1977—79
- Minority Student Affairs Committee, 1975—79

**Languages**

- Fluent in Spanish (oral communication, read and write)
- Read in French

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