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Employment

- 2018 – present Author, Speaker, Dementia Care Specialist, Celebrant
2019 - present Woody Funeral Home, celebrant and funeral service assistant
2009 – 2018 Chaplain, Westminster Canterbury Retirement Community
2005 – 2009 Chaplain, Bon Secours Hospice, Richmond, VA
2003 – 2006 Chaplain, The Virginia Home, Richmond, VA
2002 – 2005 Chaplain, Masonic Home of Virginia, Richmond, VA
2000 – 2002 Chaplain Intern, Virginia Commonwealth University Medical Center,
Richmond, VA
1996 – 2000 Associate Pastor, Community of Grace Church, Richmond, VA

Education

- 2002 – 2003 Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA
Certificate in Aging Studies, post-graduate studies
Certificate requirements: Study of the sociology, psychology, and
physiology of gerontology.
- 2000 – 2002 Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA
Masters Degree in Patient Counseling
Degree requirements: four units of Clinical Pastoral Education and related
academic courses. Areas of specialization: Chaplain for VCU Health
System's Bone Marrow Transplant unit and Dr. Sultan Lakhani's Geriatric
Psychiatry Team.
- 1979 – 1982 Southern Theological Seminary, Louisville, KY
Masters Degree in Religious Education
Degree requirements: Completion of a two-year academic program
including theological studies, education and practicum. Areas of
specialization: writing, oral communications and public relations.
Internship: Western Recorder state paper.
- 1975 – 1977 Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA
Bachelor of Science Degree in Communications
Degree requirements: Editing, writing, graphic and photographic design.
Field placement: Richmond Magazine.
- 1973 – 1975 Bluefield College, Bluefield, VA
Associate of Arts Degree

Teaching Experience

Adjunct professor, graduate departments of Patient Counseling and Gerontology in the School of Allied Health, Virginia Commonwealth University Graduate School of Allied Health in Richmond, Va. *Spirituality and Aging*, 2003 – 2014.

Trainer, Capital Area Alzheimer's Association in Richmond, Va. Professional training on a variety of dementia care topics for staff of Richmond area continuing care retirement communities, nursing care facilities, and assisted living communities, *Alzheimer's Person-Centered Care Training*. 2002 - present.

Speaking Engagements

St. Andrews United Methodist Church. Richmond, Va. Clergy, lay ministers, caregivers. *When Words Fail: Addressing the Spiritual Needs of People with Dementia*. January, 2019.

Manakin Episcopal Church. Richmond, Va. Clergy, lay ministers, caregivers. *When Words Fail: Addressing the Spiritual Needs of People with Dementia*. January, 2019.

Randolph Macon University. Ashland, Va. Theological students, Clergy and caregivers. *When Words Fail: Addressing the Spiritual Needs of People with Dementia*. January, 2019.

Hanover Adult Care. Richmond, Va. Familial caregivers and staff. "Addressing the Spiritual and Emotional Needs of Caregivers During the Holidays." November 2018.

Virginia Baptist Annual Statewide Conference. Richmond, Va. Clergy and laypeople. "When Words Fail: Addressing the Spiritual Needs of People with Dementia." November, 2018.

Campbell University. Buies Creek, N.C. Divinity and social work students and faculty. "When Words Fail: Addressing the Spiritual Needs of People Experiencing Dementia." October 2018.

Senior Care Professionals monthly meeting. Richmond, Va. Directors of home care companies, social workers. "When Words Fail: Addressing the Spiritual Needs of People with Dementia." October, 2018.

Virginia Healthcare Association. Activity Management in Long Term Care Conference. Richmond, Va. Recreation therapists and coordinators. "When Words Fail: Spiritual Care and Dementia." July, 2017, 2018.

Florida Association of Hospices. Annual Conference. Orlando, Fl. Interdisciplinary team members. "When Words Fail: Spirituality and Dementia." May 31-June 2, 2018.

Pinnacle Living. Faithfully Aging Conference. Williamsburg, Va. Clergy, lay ministers, professional, and family caregivers. "When Words Fail: Spirituality and Dementia." April, 2018.

Chesterfield Council on Aging and Chesterfield County Office of the Senior Advocate. Richmond, Va. Chicken Soup for the Caregiver's Soul Conference. Clergy, volunteers, family, and professional caregivers. "When Words Fail: Addressing the Spiritual Needs of People with Dementia." April, 2018.

Crater Community Hospice. Petersburg, Va. Area clergy, volunteers, family and professional caregivers. "When Words Fail: Addressing the Spiritual Needs of People with Dementia." March, 2018.

Alzheimer's Association Greater Richmond Area annual fall conference. Richmond, Va. Professional and family caregivers, senior care providers. "When Words Fail: Addressing the Spiritual Needs of People with Dementia and their Caregivers."

2014-2018.

Epiphany Lutheran Church. Richmond, Va. *“When Words Fail: Spirituality and Dementia.”* February, 2017.

VCU Health Systems Bereavement Council Annual Good Grief Conference. Richmond, Va. *“Elder Grief: Life and Loss.”* 2015. *“Hearing the Voiceless.”* 2017

Big Bend Hospice and Alzheimer’s Project Clergy Conference in Tallahassee, Fl. *“When Words Fail: Addressing the Spiritual Needs of People with Dementia and their Caregivers.”* (keynote) April, 2017.

Virginia Nurses Association Annual Conference. Richmond, Va. *“Elder Grief and Loss.”* April, 2017.

Virginians Aging with Lifelong Disabilities Care Provider Conference. Richmond, Va. *“Nurturing the Spirit: A Vital Part of Holistic Care,”* (keynote) and *“Addressing the Spiritual Needs of People Living with Dementia.”* (seminar) June, 2017.

First Baptist Church, Richmond, Va. *“When Words Fail: Ministering to People with Dementia and their Caregivers.”* June, 2017.

Dementia Action Alliance National Conference. Atlanta, Ga. Book signing and author discussion. June, 2017.

Virginia Chaplain’s Association Annual Conference. Richmond, Va. *“When Words Fail: Spirituality and Dementia.”* September, 2017

Virginia LeadingAge Conference, Williamsburg, Va. *“When Words Fail: Spiritual Care and Dementia.”* May, 2016

Baptist Women’s Missionary Union National Convention, St. Louis, MO. *“Spiritual Care and Dementia.”* June, 2016

POAMM National Conference, Richmond, Va. *“When Words Fail: Practical Ministry to People with Dementia and Their Caregivers.”* October, 2016.

Virginia Baptist Women, Lynchburg, Va. *“Elder Depression.”* November, 2016.

RVA Richmond Forum, Richmond, Va. *“When Words Fail: Practical Ministry to People with Dementia and their Caregivers.”* November, 2016.

Overbrook Presbyterian Church, Richmond, Va. *“When Words Fail: Practical Ministry to People with Dementia and their Caregivers.”* November, 2016

Leading Age National Conference. Boston, MA. *“Addressing the Spiritual Needs of People with Dementia.”* November, 2015.

National Gathering of Presbyterian Women. Minneapolis, MN. *“When Words Fail: Practical Ministry to People with Dementia.”* March, 2015.

Virginia Baptist Women’s Annual Conference. Lynchburg, Va. *“Ministering to People With Dementia and Their Caregivers.”* October, 2015.

Alliance of Baptists National Conference, Birmingham, Al. *“Caring for Caregivers.”* April, 2006.

Virginia faith communities and Westminster Canterbury. Conference leader for Virginia clergy, familial and professional caregivers. *“When Words Fail: Practical Ministry to People With Dementia and Their Caregivers.”* 2010 - present.

Richmond area assisted living and long-term care communities, and skilled nursing facilities. Staff and caregivers. *“Spirituality and Aging,”* and *“Spirituality and Dementia.”* 2002 – present.

Publications

Dementia-friendly Worship: A Multifaith Handbook for Chaplains, Clergy and Faith

Communities. Editorial board and author of two chapters. Jessica Kingsley Publications: London England. Publication in June, 2019.

“Addressing the Spiritual Needs of People Aging with Dementia and Lifelong Disabilities.” *Age in Action*. Vol. 33, No.2. Virginia Center on Aging. 2018.

“When Words Fail: Spiritual Care and Dementia.” *Missions Leader Magazine*. Woman’s Missionary Union of the Southern Baptist Convention. Summer, 2018.

When Words Fail: Practical Ministry to People with Dementia and Their Caregivers. Kregel Publications: Michigan. 2018.

When Words Fail: Practical Ministry to People with Dementia and Their Caregivers.

Companion DVD and study guide. Westminster Canterbury Foundation, 2016.

Holding Them Close: A Clergy Guide. Johnson, M.A., and Berry, K. Capital Area Alzheimer’s Association. 2014.

Caring for the Caregiver curriculum. Alliance of Baptists. 2006.

“Spirituality and Cognitive Impairment: A Case Study.” *Age in Action*. Vol. 20, No. 1. Virginia Center on Aging, 2005.

Affiliations

Association of Professional Chaplains (2013 - present)

Bluefield College. Bluefield, Va. National Advisory Council to the Board of Trustees. (2015 – present)

Capital Area Chaplain’s Association, Member (2002 – present)

Leading Age of Virginia, Chaplain’s Network, founder and member (2004 – present)

Virginia Commonwealth University, School of Allied Health Professions, Patient Counseling Coordinating Council (2004 – present)

Hanover Adult Care, Richmond, Va. Board of Directors (2017 - present)

Virginia Chaplains Association, Board member, (2014 - 2017) Member, (2018 – present)

Volunteer Service

Bon Secours Hospice. Richmond, Va.

Hanover Adult Care. Richmond, Va.

Lewis Ginter Botanical Gardens. Richmond, Va.

Westminster Canterbury Richmond. Richmond, Va.

Therapeutic Horse Camp. Standing Rock Reservation. Cannonball, North Dakota.