

CURRICULUM VITAE for Al Hiebert, Ph.D.

I. PERSONAL DATA

- Full Name: Albert (Al) Arthur Hiebert
Born: February 17, 1940
Family: Married to Lorna June (nee Dueck), August 31, 1962
- Children:
Rhonda Joanne (b. 1964), married to James Friesen, mother of Matthew James (b. 1992); Laura Elizabeth (b. 1996); and Sarah Katherine (b. 1997)
Jonathan Mark (b. 1974)
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II. EDUCATION

- Ph.D. 1978, New York University, New York, NY
Major: Philosophy of Religion
Dissertation: "Expository and Discovery Teaching and Learning of Systematic Theology"
- M.A. 1969, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, Deerfield, IL
Major: Philosophy of Religion
Thesis: "On Coming to Know in Religion: A Critical Analysis of E.L. Mascall's Religious Epistemology"
- B.A. 1967, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, MB
Majors: Philosophy and Psychology;
Minor: Religious Studies
- Diploma 1962, Prairie Bible Institute, Three Hills, AB
Major: Bible - Missions;
Minor: Pastoral & Christian Education

III. PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

- 2004 - 06 Adjunct faculty, Providence College, Otterburne, MB
- 2003 - 05 Adjunct faculty, Briercrest Seminary, Caronport, SK
- Oct. 1999 - 2003 Associate Vice President, Educational Relations, Briercrest Family of Schools, Caronport, SK
- 1996 - Oct.99 Seminary Dean, Briercrest Biblical Seminary, Caronport, SK
- 1996 - 2003 Faculty (Professor of Theology, Philosophy and Leadership), Briercrest Biblical Seminary, Caronport, SK
- 1996 - 2003 Director, Briercrest Biblical Seminary India Branch Campus, Hyderabad, India
- 1995-96 Assistant Director, Accrediting Association of Bible Colleges (AABC), Fayetteville, AR
- 1969-95 Faculty (Professor of Philosophy and Theology), Providence College and Seminary, Otterburne, MB (Dean of Students, 1971-73; Academic Dean, 1974-94; Vice-President, Administration, 1983-94; Director of Continuing Education, 1995, Jan. - June)
- 1966-67 Instructor, Landmark Collegiate, Landmark, MB
- 1964-71 Camp Director, Red Rock Bible Camp, Red Rock Lake & Steinbach, MB
- 1962-64 Instructor, Dean of the High School Division, Steinbach Bible Institute, Steinbach, MB

IV. TEACHING FIELDS

Have taught primarily: Philosophy and Theology, including:

- Seminary: Ethics, Systematic Theology, History of Philosophy, Leadership, Philosophy of Religion, Contemporary Theology, Romans, Research, Communications;
- College: Philosophy of Religion, Ethics, Logic, History of Philosophy, Systematic Theology, Contemporary Theology, Pauline Theology, Old Testament Theology, Doctrinal Survey (have also taught World Religions, Cults and Camping)

V. MAJOR RELATED PROFESSIONAL ROLES

- 2005 – Editorial Board, *The Biblical Higher Education Journal (BHEJ)*
- 2001-2003, President, Association of Canadian Bible Colleges (ACBC)
- 1996-2003, Board member, Theological Cluster of Western Canada (TCWC), Chair, 1999 - 2001.
- 1992-95, Member of the Board of Incorporators of the Lithuania Christian College, Klaipeda, Lithuania and Winnipeg, MB
- 1993-95 Member of the Ministerial Team, Kleefeld Evangelical Mennonite Conference Church, Kleefeld, MB
- 1986-92, 93-95 Member of the Board of Church Ministries of the Evangelical Mennonite Conference (EMC)
- 1989-94 Secretary of the Accrediting Association of Bible Colleges (AABC) General Board
- 1989-94 Chair of the Commission on Canadian Bible College Education (AABC)
- 1988-95 President, Kleefeld Housing, Inc. (built and operate a seniors housing complex)
- 1986-2000 President, Deerpath Developments, Kleefeld, MB (Developed a 30 lot residential subdivision)
- 1985-89 Member of the Executive Committee of the Association of Canadian Bible Colleges (ACBC)
- 1983-89 AABC Commission on Research (Chair, 1986-89)
- 1983-86 Member of the Social Concerns Committee, EMC Conference
- 1978-81 Chair of the Kleefeld EMC Building Committee (built a complete new church facility seating 550 with related CE, fellowship and parking facilities), also served on the Finance Committee for this project.

VI. PROFESSIONAL SOCIETY MEMBERSHIPS

Previously:

- American Academy of Religion
- Evangelical Philosophical Society
- Evangelical Theological Society
- College Theology Society

VII. PROFESSIONAL CONSULTATIONS

- ABHE/AABC Evaluation Teams: Columbia Bible College, Abbotsford, BC, Oct. 4-6, 2006; Lincoln Christian College & Seminary, Lincoln, IL, March 26 – 28, 2006; Emmanuel Bible College, Oct., 2002; Oak Hills Bible College, Bemidji, MN, October 9-11, 1995 (Chair); Eastern Pentecostal Bible College, Peterborough, ON, March 23-25, 1994; Rocky Mountain College, Calgary, AB, March 24-26, 1993 (Chair); London Baptist Bible College, London, ON, March 22 - 24, 1991(Chair); Ontario Bible College, Toronto, ON, March 29 - 31, 1988; Bethany Bible Institute, Hepburn, SK, February 12 - 14, 1986 (Chair); Columbia Bible College, Abbotsford, BC, March 25 - 27, 1985.
- ABHE/AABC-related consultations to Alberta Bible College, Calgary, AB, Dec.2, 3, 1999, April 6, 2001; Western Christian College, Dauphin, MB, June 8, 1995; January 16-17, 1998; September 17, 2001; Western Pentecostal Bible College, Oct. 4, 1996; Bethany Bible Institute, Hepburn, SK, Aug. 26, 1996; Aug. 21, 1998; Life Christian University, Gardena, CA, May 26-28, 1996; Oct. 5-7, 1996; Gardner Bible College, AB, Nov. 14, 1995; Central Pentecostal Bible College, SK, November 10, 1995; Transylvania Bible School, PA, October 20, 1995; Steinbach Bible College, Steinbach, MB, December 15, 1994; Prairie Bible College, Three Hills, AB, January 16-19, 1992, Nov. 13, 1995.
- Negotiations in Klaipeda, Lithuania with Klaipeda University senior administrators and in Vilnius, Lithuania with Lithuanian government representatives on behalf of Lithuania Christian College, June 29 - July 14, 1992 and preparation of the first curriculum and catalogue of Lithuania Christian College, June - July, 1992; returned to Lithuania, August 11 - 13, 1993 and August 2 - 7, 1994 for a series of meetings of the LCC Board of Governors, Executive Committee and Advisory Council, etc.
- Negotiations with seven Canadian universities concerning credit transfers from Canadian Bible colleges during the 1970s through the early 2000s.
- Taught Philosophy of Religion, leadership, theology and research courses at the BBS – OM India collaborative extension MA program at Hyderabad, India in January, 1997, January, 1999, and

January, 2001 and provided the administrative oversight of this program 1996-2003, including securing ATS accreditation approval for it initially and at re-affirmation.

VIII. OTHER MINISTRIES

- Some 30 years of teaching Sunday School, about half full-time and about half part-time.
- Some 30 years of occasional pulpit-supply preaching, usually about 6 - 12 times per year.
- Some 12 - 14 years of speaking on college choir and ensemble team tours, usually about 7 - 15 times per tour.
- Speaker at numerous week-end retreats, summer camps, Christian Education convention workshops, Bible college convention workshops, camping convention workshops, pastors' luncheons, and one summer as interim pastor of a small Evangelical Free Church in New York.
- Service on numerous local church committees such as constitution revision (about 3 or 4 such committees), pastoral search (3 such), pastoral review, etc.
- Some 30 years of private counseling on a wide variety of issues in a variety of venues.

IX. PUBLICATIONS

1. Book Publications

- "Foundations of Paul's Ethics" in *Essays in Morality and Ethics* ed. by James Gaffney (New York: Paulist Press, 1980) pp.50-62 [peer reviewed].
- "Faith and Reason Notes" published annually by Christian Book Nook, 1982-95 (annual updated editions).
- "Who Will Teach Them Professional Ethics? Is Business And Professional Ethics Education In A Worldview Vacuum Desirable Or Possible?" in *Educating the Ethical Professional: Proceedings of the Third Annual Laurier Conference on Business and Professional Ethics*, ed. by Auleen Carson and John McCutcheon (Waterloo, ON: Wilfred Laurier University, 1998) [peer reviewed].
- *Character with Competence Education: The Bible College Movement in Canada*, with Char Bates and Paul Magnus (Steinbach, MB: Association of Canadian Bible Colleges, 2005).
- [forthcoming] "Contribution of Canadian Bible Colleges and Seminaries to Missions " in *Canada's Contribution to Global Missions* ed. by Irving Whitt (Evangelical Fellowship of Canada, 2006) [peer reviewed].

2. Journal Articles

- "Dissent and Unity" in the *AABC Newsletter* (September, 1982) pp.11-15 [peer reviewed].
- "Biological Origins and Public Education: A Philosopher's View" *Newsletter 38* North American Creation Movement, 1986 [peer reviewed].
- "The 'Queen of the Sciences' Needs a New Dress" *AABC Newsletter*. Sept., 1986 [peer reviewed].
- "Of Reverence and Respect" in *Creator's Mandate*, Winter 1990.
- "Antiseptic Education: The Myth of Irreligiosity" with Dennis Hiebert, *Faculty Dialogue* Number 17, Spring 1992, pp.85-101 [peer reviewed].

3. Reviews

- "The Real Temptations of 'The Last Temptation'" in *The Carillon*, August 31, 1988.
- Book Review of *Peace in a Nuclear Age* in *Christian Week*, January, 1989.
- Book Review of *Wonders and the Word* in *The Messenger*, September 15, 1989.
- "A Very Practical Text for Teachers" in *Christian Week*, October 24, 1989.
- Book Review of L. Russ Bush, *A Handbook for Christian Philosophy*, in *Didaskalia*, October, 1992.
- Book review of William J. Webb (2001), *Slaves, Women & Homosexuals: Exploring the Hermeneutics of Cultural Analysis*, in *Journal of the Evangelical Theological Society*, December, 2001 [peer reviewed].
- Numerous book reviews in *The Eye Witness* published by Providence College and Seminary.

4. Unpublished, but Presented

- "'Teach Sound Doctrine' -- By Expository Teaching and/or Discovery Learning" unpublished paper presented to the Annual Conference of the American Association of Bible Colleges, October 26-28, 1978.
- "The Bible College Faculty Handbook" unpublished paper presented to the American Association of Bible Colleges, October 26, 1984 (a revision of a presentation May 18, 1983 to the Association of Canadian Bible Colleges).
- "Biological Origins and Public Education: A Creationist View" unpublished paper presented to the University of Manitoba Chapter of Sigma Xi, December 3, 1984.
- "Canadian Bible Colleges in the Year 2000: Balancing Dreams with Realism" unpublished paper presented to the Association of Canadian Bible Colleges, May 22, 1992.
- "Evaluating Faculty Effectiveness" workshop presented to the Association of Canadian Bible Colleges, May 20, 1993.
- International TV Interview: *100 Huntley Street*, Nov. 1, 1993.
- "Suggested Biblical-Ethical Principles and Issues Relating to Surrogate Parenting" unpublished paper prepared for Southland Community Evangelical Free Church, Steinbach, January 11, 1994.
- "How Differences in the Canadian and American Environments Affect Bible College Education" workshop presented to the American Association of Bible Colleges, February 17, 1994.
- "Church Discipline" seminar jointly presented with Pastor Daryl Busby at Hilbre Gospel Chapel, February 25, 1995.
- "Preparing Balanced Ministers," workshop presented to the Accrediting Association of Bible Colleges, February 16, 1996.
- "Meetings that Work," workshop presented to the Accrediting Association of Bible Colleges, February 13, 1997.
- "Working with Universities on Course and Program Recognition," workshop presented to the Association of Canadian Bible Colleges, May 26, 2001.
- "Evaluating Credit Transfer Requests From Confessional Colleges & Seminaries" workshop presented to the Association of Registrars of Universities and Colleges in Canada, June 25, 2002.
- "Parliament Should Support Traditional Marriage," aired on *Commentary* across Canada on CBC Radio One, January 31, 2005.
- [forthcoming] "Contributions to Global Missions by Canadian Bible Colleges and Evangelical Seminaries," workshop to be presented to the Association of Biblical Higher Education, February 17, 2006.

5. Magazine Articles

- Numerous articles in *Passport* published by Briercrest Family of Schools.
- Numerous articles in *The Eye Witness* published by Providence College and Seminary.
- "Can the Words of Man be the Words of God" in *The Messenger* (June 22, 1979), pp.2-3, 11.
- "When Christians Drink" in *The Messenger* (Dec. 28, 1984) pp.1-3.
- "Existentialists and Christians" in *The Gospel Herald and Sunday School Times*. Summer Quarter, 1985.
- "Liberation Theology and the Bible" in *The Gospel Herald and Sunday School Times*. Winter Quarter, 1986-87.
- "Humanism Defined and Evaluated" in *The Gospel Herald and Sunday School Times*. Spring Quarter, 1987.
- "Handling the Last Temptation" in *The Messenger*, September 30, 1989.
- "New Wine Anyone?" in *The Messenger*, July 14, 1989.
- "Wisdom on Wonders" in *The Messenger*, October 1989.
- "So Jesus Died, So What" in *Christian Week*, April 3, 1990.
- "C43: Compromise or Capitulation" in *Faith Today*, July - August, 1990.
- "The Defeat of C43 -- Tragedy or Triumph?" in *Christian Week*, February 19, 1991.
- "Do Secular Educators Influence Us Religiously?" in *The Messenger*, May 3, 1991.
- "Mennonites and the Referendum" in *The Messenger*, October, 1992.
- "Dealing With Doubts" in *The Messenger*, February, 1993.
- "Why Consider Bible College," *Christian Week*, October 5, 1993.
- "Balancing Passion with Compassion," *The Messenger*, June 29, 1994.
- "The Evangelical Mennonite Conference Ministries," *The Messenger*, (Conference Assessment Committee SS Lesson 3, insert) November 8, 1995.
- "Christian Higher Education: A Risk-taking Business," *Christian Week*, April 9, 1996.
- "Back to School? Why?" *The Messenger*, August 17, 2005.
- "Who is an Evangelical?" *The Messenger*, March 22, 2006.

- "Propaganda or facts: defeating defeatism" *The Carillon*, June 29, 2006.
- "Can we use facts to advocate heterosexual marriage?" *The Messenger*, September 6, 2006

6. Web Articles

- "Dissent and Unity" on the Faith Maps website posted March 2000 at: <http://www.faithmaps.org/dissent.htm>
- "Did secular fundamentalism win June 28th?" on the Canadian Family Action Coalition website posted July 2004 at: <http://www.familyaction.org/Articles/issues/politics-law/government/sec-fundamentalism.htm>
- "Evaluating Credit Transfer Requests From Confessional Colleges & Seminaries" on the ARUCC website posted July 2002 at: <http://www.athabascau.ca/arucc2002/presentations/PresentationD1.doc>
- "To Bible College? Why?" on the Virtual House News website posted Dec. 2, 2005 at: <http://www.christianity.ca/education/christian-higher-ed/2005/11.003.html>
- "Propaganda or Facts: Defeating Defeatism" on the Virtual House News website posted June 25, 2006 at: <http://www.christianity.ca/news/commentary/2006/06.001.html>
- "Can we use facts to advocate heterosexual marriage?" at: <http://www.christianity.ca/news/commentary/2006/06.???html>

X. ORDINATION TO THE GOSPEL MINISTRY

- 1993 Ordained to the gospel ministry in the Evangelical Mennonite Conference (EMC) and served as a member of the Ministerial team at Kleefeld EMC Church till our July, 1995 move to Arkansas.

XI. Honors

- Biblical Higher Education Award, Association for Biblical Higher Education, February 17, 2006.
- Tribute banquet, Association of Canadian Bible Colleges, May 23, 2003.
- Classroom wing named in my honor, Providence College, March 17, 2000.