

Curriculum Vitae

CURRENT PROFILE

Name: Revd. Canon Dr. James Francis

Position: Visiting Fellow (Durham University); Visiting Professor (Glyndwr University)

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EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Education:

1956-1962 Peterhead Academy
1962-1968 Edinburgh University
1968-1969 Yale Divinity School
1969-1970 Assistant Minister Glenrothes, Fife
1970-1972 Edinburgh University Research Studentship
1972-1975 Minister of Coldingham Priory with St. Abbs Berwickshire
1975-2001 Lecturer and Senior Lecturer in New Testament Studies, Sunderland University
2002-2009 Principal, Durham Diocese Durham Ordained Local Ministry Course
2003-2012 Programme Tutor for Durham Diocese Adult Education Course "Living Theology Today"
2012 - Visiting Fellow St John's College, Durham University
2012 - Visiting Professor Glyndwr University

Academic Qualifications:

1965 MA Edinburgh, Classics
1968 BD Edinburgh, Biblical Studies and Theology
1969 STM Yale University, New Testament and Theology
1973 PhD Edinburgh University, New Testament Studies (Thesis: 1 Peter)

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Academic Posts (full-time):

1975-2001 Lecturer/senior lecturer (from 1982) in New Testament Studies, Sunderland University
2002-2009 Principal, Ordained Local Ministry Course, Durham Diocese

Academic Appointments (part-time):

2003-2012 Programme writer and lead tutor for a foundation course in adult learning called "Living Theology Today", Durham Diocese
20012 - First marker for "Theology and Discipleship" programme, Glyndwr University

Honorary Academic Posts:

2011 - Honorary visiting fellow St. John's College, Durham University
2012 - Visiting professor Glyndwr University

Professional Appointments (Academic):

1999-2005 Subject and Programme Reviewer (Religion and Theology) for the Quality Assurance Agency (HE England and Wales), the Open University, and the University of Wales
20012 - Church of England Ministry Division quality assurance inspector Cranmer Hall, Durham

Previous External Examinerships:

External examiner for programmes in New Testament and in Practical Theology University of Wales Lampeter

External examiner for MA in Missional Leadership at Birmingham Christian College, validated by University of Wales
External examiner for BA and MA programmes of Evangelical Theological College of Wales (Bridgend), validated by University of Wales
Church of England Ministry Division moderator to the Scottish Episcopal Church
External examiner (Lancaster University) to the Carlisle and Blackburn Dioceses' Training Institute.
External examiner for the Foundation Degree in Theology and Ministry York St. John University.

Thesis Supervision and Examining:

Supervision:

One M.Phil. and two Ph.D. students (Sunderland University)

Examining:

Internal examiner (Sunderland University) for two M.Phil. theses
External examiner for one M. Litt., ten M.Phil., one D.Ed., two D.Min. and seventeen Ph.D. theses (Durham, Newcastle, King's College London, Glyndwr, University of Wales: Bangor and Lampeter)

Ordination:

1972 Minister in the Church of Scotland
1987 Deacon, Church of England, Durham Diocese
1987 Priest, Church of England, Durham Diocese

Pastoral Posts:

1972-1975 Parish minister (Church of Scotland) Coldingham Priory with St. Abbs, Berwickshire
1987-1997 Non-stipendiary Curate, St. Chad's Church, Sunderland
1997-2010 Associate Team Vicar, Sunderland Minster
1998-2007 Bishop of Durham's Adviser for Self-Supporting Ministry
2010 - Non-stipendiary Priest in Durham Diocese with permission to officiate
2000-2010 Non-residentiary Canon, Durham Cathedral
2010 - Non-residentiary Canon Emeritus, Durham Cathedral

PUBLICATIONS

Books authored:

J.M.M. Francis, *Adults as Children: Images of Childhood in the Ancient World and the New Testament* (2006). Oxford, Peter Lang. pp. x+346. ISBN 3-03910-020-3.

Books edited:

J. M.M. Francis and L.J. Francis (Eds.) (1998.) *Tentmaking: Perspectives on Self-Supporting Ministry* Leominster, Gracewing. pp. x+436. ISBN 0-85244-369-2.

J.M.M. Francis and R. Bisschops (Eds.) (1999.) *Metaphor, Canon and Community* Bern, Peter Lang pp. x+307. ISBN 3-8204-4234-8.

J.M.M. Francis, Series Editor, *Religions and Discourse* for Oxford, Peter Lang. (Currently 56 volumes.)

Chapters in books:

J.M.M. Francis, 'As Newborn Babies': The Image of the Child in 1 Peter 2.2-3 (1980.) *Studia Evangelica* Sheffield, JSOT Press Vol.3 (pp.111-117). ISBN 0-905774-27-2.

J.M.M. Francis, The Contribution of Ministry in Secular Employment (1993.) in J. Davies (Ed.) *God and the Marketplace: Essays on the Morality of Wealth Creation* London, Institute of Economic Affairs, (pp.125-140). ISBN 0-255-36275-7.

J.M.M. Francis, Children and Childhood Imagery in the New Testament in S. C. Barton (Ed.) *The Family in Theological Perspective* T. & T. Clark Edinburgh 1996. ISBN 0-567-08522-8.

J.M.M. Francis, Five Entries for *The Complete Bible Handbook* (Ed. J. Bowker) London, Dorling Kindersley 1998 ISBN 0-7513-1112-X as follows:

1) Old Testament Section:

"Education in Ancient Israel" pages 164-165.

2) New Testament Section:

"Everyday Life for Jews" pages 282-283.

"Everyday Life in the New Testament" pages 284-285.

"Education in the New Testament" pages 322-323.

"The Structure of Roman Society" pages 372-373.

J.M.M. Francis, Three Entries for *A Dictionary of the Bible* (Eds. D.N. Freedman, A.C. Myers & A.B. Beck) Eerdmans, Grand Rapids Michigan 2000 ISBN 0-8028-2400-5 as follows:

i) "Children and Childhood (pages 234-235).

ii) "Household" (pages 613-614).

iii) "Labour, Work, Toil" (pages 780-781).

J.M.M. Francis, Jesus as God's Child and the Violence of the Cross in *Children and Violence* (Ed. L. Brockliss) Oxford, Oxbow 2010 (pp.28-29). ISBN 978-1-84217-978-9.

Journal Articles:

J.M.M. Francis, The 'Seder' and the Supper - a Study of the Last Supper and its Jewish Background (1971). *Liturgical Studies* Scottish Academic Press Vol.1, 49-57.

J.M.M. Francis, 'As Babes in Christ': Some Proposals Concerning 1 Cor.3.1-3 (1980). *Journal for the Study of the New Testament* Vol. 7, 41-60.

J.M.M. Francis, Jesus and Children (2001). *Priests and People* Vol. 15 no.12, pp.439-443.

J.M.M. Francis, Discipleship and Vocation (2009). *Rural Theology* vol. 7.2, 75-82.