

RESUMÉ

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EDUCATION:

- 2004** **Doctor of Missiology. BIOLA University, La Mirada, California.**
Areas of specialization:
1) Cross-cultural Leadership and Organizational Change
2) Cross-cultural Communications
3) Research Methods and Strategies
Dissertation title: The Globalization of Mission: Missiological Dream or Management Nighmare? (2004)
- 1982** **Master of Arts (Communication) California State University, Fullerton.**
Areas of specialization: Public Relations and Marketing for NGO's.
- 1973** **Bachelor of Arts (Journalism) University of Missouri, Columbia**

TEACHING AND OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE:

- 2007 – present** **ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF GLOBAL LEADERSHIP, Fuller Theological Seminary, Pasadena, California.** Responsible for teaching six core courses and elective courses as part of the core faculty for the Master's of Arts in Global Leadership Program. Also responsible for teaching in the Doctorate of Missiology Program specializing in missiological and cross-cultural research, leadership, globalization of mission, and missiology in contemporary culture. In addition, for many years, I served on several seminary-wide committees including Fuller's Diversity Council which was tasked with evaluating and facilitating the seminary's practices and policies related to diversity.
- 1996 – 2008** **MISSIONARY, OC International, Romania.** Key accomplishments include: (1) Initiating and assisting in the design of the 2001 nationwide evangelical church census project; 2) Writing and/or editing of research publications including results of the national church growth research project, the annual *Directory of Christian Ministries in Romania*, and newsletters on church planting and missions; 3) teaching History of Missions (in Romanian) both at the Nazarene Bible Institute (1998-99) and at the Baptist Seminary in Bucharest (2000-2007) and 4) involvement in mobilizing the Romanian missions movement.
- 2000 – 2007** **PART-TIME FACULTY, University of Bucharest, School of Baptist Theology (and Baptist Theological Institute).** I taught History of Christian Missions (in the Romanian language) to public university and seminary undergraduate students and developed a CD version of the course for adjunct instructors to use.

- 2003 — 2004 ADJUNCT FACULTY, Biola University.** This was a one-year appointment during which I completed my doctorate in missiology and taught a senior-level undergraduate Inter-cultural Communications course on their campus in Southern California. I also taught the same course at the Master's/Doctorate level as part of the university's European graduate studies extension in Klaipeda, Lithuania.
- 1984 -- 1996 SENIOR LECTURER, Department of Communications, Daystar University, Nairobi, Kenya,** where my husband and I served for 12 years as missionaries with OC International. I taught courses at both the Master's and the Bachelor's degree levels including subjects such as Research Design and Strategy, Public Relations for Charitable Organizations, Publications Editing and Management, and Communications Theory. I also was responsible for mentoring several Master's students each semester in their thesis research and writing. In addition to my role at Daystar, I served as one of the editors of the *Kenya Church Growth Bulletin* (and *The Church Leader in Africa*)
- 1981 — 1984 LECTURER (Part-time) Department of Communications, California State University, Fullerton.** My subjects included Communications, News Writing and Introduction to Mass Media, all courses taught at the undergraduate level.
- 1978 -- 1984 CONSULTANT IN PUBLIC RELATIONS FOR CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS** (to supplement teaching income). My work included:
- 6 months as Consulting Editor for the California Elementary Education Assn.
 - 3 months as public relations consultant to the Assn. of Educational Psychologists
 - 6 months as public relations consultant to the American Heart Association, Orange County Chapter.
 - communications and fund raising advisor for several Christian organizations.
- 1973 — 1977 DIRECTOR OF PUBLICATIONS, Government Finance Association, Chicago, Illinois.** I was responsible for: 1) planning, editing, managing, marketing and distributing all organization publications including books, newsletters, magazines, and training materials; 2) managing public relations with association members and with the press; 3) providing communications materials to support organizational lobbying efforts in Washington, D.C.

LIST OF PUBLICATIONS:

DOWNES, Donna R.

- 2017 Navigating the Cross-Cultural Dynamics of Global Mission Organizations: An Interdisciplinary approach. Chapter 3 in *Devoted to Christ*. Chris Flanders, ed. Eugene, OR: Wipf and Stock. (Actual publication date still to be determined)
- 2012 Negotiating Female Missionary Roles Cross-Culturally. Chapter 7, pp. 125-154. In *Frontline Women: Negotiating Cross-Cultural Issues in Ministry, 2nd ed.* Marguerite Kraft, ed. Pasadena, CA: Wm. Carey
- 2011 The Multifaceted Journey Toward Globalization in Mission: Lessons in Flexibility, Humility, and Community. Chapter 7, pp. 125-140 in *Reflecting God's Glory Together*. A Scott Moreau and Beth Snodderly, eds. Pasadena, CA: Wm. Carey.

- 2011 MissionShift (Review). *Evangelical Missions Quarterly* 47, 2 (April 2011): 246-248.
- 2004 *The Globalization of Mission: Missiological Dream or Management Nightmare?* Doctoral Dissertation. La Mirada, CA: Biola University. Available through University Microfilms ProQuest Product Nr. 3123829.
- 2003 Confused Missionary Roles—Theirs or Mine? Chapter 7 in *Frontline Women: Negotiating Cross-cultural Issues in Ministry*. Marguerite G. Kraft, ed. Pasadena, CA: Wm. Carey Library.
- 1996 Union Ltd.: A Case of Mission and National Partnership. In *Agents of Transformation* by Sherwood Lingenfelter. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Books, pp. 54-59; 73-77; 91-94; 113-118; 137-141; 157-162; 180-183; 199-215 (51 pages)
- 1992 The Cure for Dependency: Teach your churches to give! *Evangelical Missions Quarterly* 28, 2: 142-150.
- 1990 *Raising Funds in Kenya: A Survey of Middle to Upper Income Churchgoers*. Nairobi, Kenya: Daystar University Press.
- 1989 Have You Checked Your Pockets? *Interlit* Magazine (Dec. 1989): 7-9.
- 1982 *The Use of Market Research in the Editing and Management of Newspapers: A Case Study of Four Los Angeles Area Newspapers*. Master's thesis. Fullerton, CA: California State University. Available on microfilm from the University Microfilms, Ann Arbor, Michigan. *Master's Abstracts*.
- 1981 *The Effect of Changing American Social Values on the Editorial Content, Style and Management of Newspapers*. Unpublished paper presented at the Annual Conference of the Association for Education in Journalism. Michigan State University, East Lansing, microfilm.

DOWNES, D. R. and A. DEI-AWUKU

- 1987 Funding the African Missionary Movement. In *The African Missionary* (Proceedings from the Conference on African Missionaries) Limuru, Kenya: Church of the Province of Kenya.

DOWNES, DONNA and STANLEY

- 1994 Are Church Leaders Preventing their Churches from Giving? *Kenya Church Growth Bulletin* 4, 2: 4-5.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

- Member, American Society of Missiology
- Member, Evangelical Missiological Society
- Member, First Evangelical Free Church, Fullerton, California.

PERSONAL DATA:

Married, one adult son

Foreign languages read, written and spoken: Romanian (fluent), Swahili (rusty)

Research language (read): French