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Education:

Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital, CPE, 2004-2005.

Northwest Graduate School, D.Min. in Urban Ministry, 2003.

Project: "Renewal of Urban Church Mission in the Coptic Evangelical Church"

Dubuque Theological Seminary, M.A.R. in Pastoral Care, 1996.

Al-Minya University, History, B.A., 1991.

Evangelical Theological Seminary in Cairo, B.Th., 1985.

Brief Life Story and Faith Journey:

Personal History

Born in Suhag (Upper Egypt) in 1963, I grew up attending a village church many times a week. At 15 I moved from the rural village to the urban area of Port Said, near the Suez Canal, where I became more actively involved in ministry. Here a small group of colleagues encouraged me in my ministry and affirmed my gifts for future full-time ministry, but not until I was eighteen I begin to feel God's call to his ministry. After finishing secondary school, I enrolled for four years at the Evangelical Theological Seminary in Cairo (ETSC). Following seminary, I entered the Presbyterian pastorate and was ordained in 1987.

Pastoral

Minister, First Presbyterian Church, Al-Tayyebba, 1986-1992.

I spent six years at First Presbyterian Church in Al-Tayyebba, a village in Upper Egypt. I trained leaders for the church and the church began to grow very quickly. I also gained significant practical experience during my years in Al-Tayyebba, experience which has greatly informed my teaching in courses on pastoral care and counseling.

Associations:

Synod of the Nile

Ministry Engagements out side of ETSC:

Lay-Person Training in Presbyteries (since 2004)

Continuing Education for pastors (since 2004)

Teaching at Catholic Seminary (Principles of Counseling, Crisis Counseling, and Family Counseling since 2011)

Publications:

- *The Counselor's Skills* (2012)
- *Ordaining Women as Elders and Ministers* (2011)
- *Crises Counseling* (2010)
- *Principles of Counseling* (2009)
- *The Psychology of Magic and Superstition* (2009)
- *Different Disciples, One Witness* (2009)
- *Challenges and Criticism in Church Ministry* (2007)
- *Servant Leadership* (2005)
- *How to Raise Your Children* (2004)
- *Renewal Thinking in Christian Religion* (2003)
- *Vision in the Church and the Necessity of Change* (2003)
- *Accept One Another* (2000)
- *Magic and Jealousy in the Bible* (1999)
- *Guides Through Prayer* (translation) (1996)
- *Jesus and the Different Social Classes* (1995)
- *Superstition and Magic* (1992)

Awaiting Publication:

- 10 articles in the *Arabic Contemporary Commentary*. Forthcoming.
- Two curricula for Electronic Learning Courses: "Principles of Pastoral Counseling" and "Building a Rich Christian Marriage."

Teaching:

Practical Theology with specializations in pastoral theology, counseling, and field education.

Courses include:

1. Rituals and Sacraments of the Church
2. Principles of Counseling
3. Relationships and Counseling
4. Personality and Behavior
5. Crisis Counseling
6. Using Scripture in Pastoral Care and Counseling
7. Counseling for Different Ages
8. An Introduction to Psychology
9. Family Counseling (Catholic Seminary in Cairo)

Nationality:

Egyptian

Family:

Amgaad, wife; Rofy, son; Laura, daughter

Employment:

Minister, First Presbyterian Church, Al-Tayyebba, 1986-1992.

I joined to ETSC 1992.

Professor of Pastoral Counseling and Head of Department of Practical Theology, Evangelical Theological Seminary in Cairo, since 2005 – Present.
Dean of Relationship and Training, 2010 – Present.