

Philip J. Collins
Professor of Christian Ministries
Co-Executive Director of the Taylor University Center for Scripture Engagement

EDUCATION

Ph.D.	Graduated May 2005 Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana Educational Psychology
MA	Graduated December 1993 Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, Deerfield, Illinois Christian Education
	One semester of classes, Fall 1982 Institute of Holy Land Studies, Jerusalem, Israel Old Testament History
BA	Graduated May 1982 Taylor University, Upland, Indiana Bible Literature and Christian Education

FULL-TIME MINISTRY EXPERIENCE

June 1989 – July 1999	Youth Pastor (Administrative Pastor for last year) Castleview Baptist Church Indianapolis, Indiana
June 1986 – June 1989	Campus Life Club Director North Area Youth for Christ Arlington Heights, Illinois
January 1983 – June 1986	Ministry Coordinator North Central Indian Youth for Christ Gas City, Indiana

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

August 2005 – Present	Professor of Christian Ministries Taylor University Upland, Indiana
August 1999 – 2005	Associate Professor of Christian Educational Ministries Taylor University Upland, Indiana

Taylor University
Classes Taught

Introduction to Christian Ministries
Personal Foundations of Ministry
Inductive Study of the Bible
Program and Curriculum Development
Evangelism in Youth Ministry
Discipleship in Youth Ministry
Ministry to Youth
Practicum
Leadership Development
Philosophy and Strategies for Christian Ministries
Psychological and Educational Foundations for
Christian Ministries
Christian Ministries Capstone
Lighthouse Trip to Singapore
Footsteps of Paul Greece/Italy Trip – J-term
Israel Trip – J-term
Teaching for Transformation (Masters of Arts in
Ministry class)

AWARDS/HONORS

2011 Who's Who In America
2009 Taylor University Teaching Excellence and Campus
Leadership Award
2004, 2005 Who's Who Among America's Teachers

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSIGNMENTS

2010-present Co-executive Director of Taylor University Center of
Scripture Engagement
2021-2024 Chair, Department of Biblical Studies, Christian
Ministries, Intercultural Studies, and Philosophy
2014-15 Interim Dean of School of HABS
2009-10 Acting department chair (sabbatical fill)
2003-2014 Christian Educational Ministries Program Director

SCHOLARSHIP

- 2010-present Numerous Scripture Engagement workshops on campus and at various Churches/Ministries.
- 2023 “Engaging Scripture to Encounter Christ: Introducing a Swiss Army Knife for Spiritual Formation.” In *Panel Discussion with Greg Magee, May Young, Hank Voss, Evan Howard, Kwesi Kamau*. Upland, IN.
- 2022 Co-author of the [Abide Bible Course](#)
- 2022 Blog article for the American Bible Society on Journaling Scripture
- 2022 Presentations on Praying Scripture and Scripture and the Visual Arts at the Forum of Bible Agencies International, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2022 Presentation at the Gospel Coalition Women’s Conference on Scripture engagement, Indianapolis, IN.
- 2020 General editor of the [Abide Bible](#)
- 2020 General editor of the [Abide Journals](#)
- 2020 “Picture It” online article for Pastor Resources: Helping Ministers Grow Healthy Churches.
- 2020 “Learning to Read the Bible” online article for Pastor Resources: Helping Ministers Grow Healthy Churches.
- 2020 “How Not to Read the Bible” online article for Preaching: Leading the Church, Proclaiming the Word.
- 2020 “An Unusual Practice to Make You Into a Godly Leader – Hand Copy Scripture” online article for Pastor Resources: Helping Ministers Grow Healthy Churches.
- 2020 Presentation at the Forum of Bible Agencies International on Scripture engagement research, Orlando, FL.
- 2019 Presentation at the Correctional Ministries Summit on Scripture engagement, Wheaton, IL.
- 2019 Presentation on Scripture engagement at the Forum of Bible Agencies International conference, Washington, DC.
- 2017-22 Scripture Engagement Development Group Forum of Bible Agencies International.
- 2016 Scripture Engagement Workshops for Ministry Leaders. China

- 2015 “Scripture Engagement Emerging Assumptions: Correlation of Research Studies.” Forum of Bible Agencies International, Ft. Worth, Texas.
- 2015 “The Scripture Engagement Practice of ‘Speaking Scripture’: The Most Impactful Means of Spiritual Growth?” Eurasia Media and Distribution Consultation, Netherlands.
- 2014 “Spiritual Life at Thirteen Christian Colleges: Results of the 2013 Christian Life Survey,” Association of Christian Student Development, Steve Bird and Phil Collins, Minneapolis, Minnesota.
- 2014 “Summary of Scripture Engagement Research” – Forum of Bible Agencies – North America – Niagara Falls, Canada.
- 2014 “Scripture Engagement Practices” – developer of curriculum for the Forum of Bible Agencies International program in Sri Lanka.
- 2014 Scripture engagement workshops, “Next Generation Scripture Engagement — The South Asian Experience,” Forum of Bible Agencies International, Sri Lanka
- 2013 “Scripture Engagement and Focus on God at 13 Christian Universities,” Association of Youth Ministry Educators, Chicago, Illinois — Steve Bird and Phil Collins.
- 2013 “Scripture Engagement Research” presentation at a planning conference in Bangalore, India.
- 2013 Presentation of Scripture Engagement Research at the Forum of Bible Agencies International, Ft. Lauderdale, FL.
- 2012 Presentation of Christian Life Survey Research at Association of Christians in Student Development (ACSD) with Dr. Steve Bird.
- 2011 Presentation of Scripture Engagement Research on Taylor’s campus at the North American Professors of Christian Education in Seattle, Washington.
- 2011 Presentation of Scripture Engagement Research on Taylor’s campus with Dr. Steve Bird at the North American Forum of Bible Agencies in Orlando, Florida.
- 2011 Presentation of Scripture Engagement Research on Taylor’s campus with Dr. Steve Bird at the Forum of Bible Agencies International in Edinburgh, Scotland.
- 2010 Participant in Lausanne III, Cape Town 2010 in Cape Town, South Africa.

- 2009 Group presentation at the Lilly Conference on Teaching on The Big Idea: Reflection on the Big Questions of a Course.
- 2010 Peer reviewed “Self-Determination Theory and Urban Congregational Ministry – Journal of Youth Ministry.
- 2008 Peer reviewed the article “Evangelizing Older Adults” for the Christian Education Journal.
- 2008 Reviewed the book Church is a Team Sport: A Championship Strategy for Doing Ministry Together by Jim Putman, Grand Rapids: Baker Book. 2008 Journal of Youth Ministry.
- 2008 Peer review of “Discerning Spiritual Discernment” for the Journal of Youth Ministry summer of 2008.
- 2007 Presentation on the Elaboration Likelihood Model (ELM) at the Association of Youth Ministry Educators conference in San Jose, CA.
- 2007 Participant in the Association of Youth Ministry Educators Fuller theological Seminary Center for Youth and Family Ministry – Undergraduate Competencies Focus Group.
- 2006 Peer review of “The Pac-Man Syndrome: The Missing Congruence of Philosophy and Practice in Youth Ministry” for the Journal of Youth Ministry in 2006.
- 2005 Presentation of my dissertation at the Association of Youth Ministry Educators conference in Rochester, MN.
- 2005 Panel discussion participant concerning research in youth ministry at the Association of Youth Ministry Educators conference as one of the conference main sessions.

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

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| NAPCE | North American Professors of Christian Education |
| FOBAI | Forum of Bible Agencies International |