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ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

- Ph.D., *Biblical Hermeneutics and Gender*** 2003
University of Natal, Pietermaritzburg, South Africa - "Power, Ideology and Interpretation/s: Womanist and Literary Perspectives on the Book of Esther as Resources for Gender-Social Transformation."
- M.A., *Biblical Studies*** 2000
University of Cape Town, Cape Town, Western Cape - "Reading Ruth: Towards a Postmodernist, Literary and Womanist Analysis."
- Honours B. Soc. Sci., *Biblical Studies*** 1997
University of Cape Town, Cape Town, Western Cape
- B.A., [*Majors in English Literature and Religious Studies*]** 1996
University of Cape Town, Cape Town, Western Cape
- Matriculation with University Exemption** 1993
Effingham Secondary School, Durban, KwaZulu-Natal

PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

- Associate Professor/Director: *Gender and Religion Programme*** 2011 to Present
School of Religion and Theology, University of KwaZulu-Natal, Durban, KwaZulu-Natal
- Academic Coordinator: *Postgraduate Studies*** 2008 to Present
School of Religion and Theology, University of KwaZulu-Natal, Pietermaritzburg, KwaZulu-Natal
- Senior Lecturer/Director: *Gender and Religion*** 2008 to 2010
School of Religion and Theology, University of KwaZulu-Natal, Pietermaritzburg, KwaZulu-Natal
- Senior Lecturer/Director: *Gender, Religion and Ethics Programme*** 2005 to 2008
School of Religion and Theology, University of KwaZulu-Natal/School of Philosophy and Ethics,
University of KwaZulu-Natal, Pietermaritzburg, KwaZulu-Natal
- International Co-ordinator** 2002 to 2005
International Network in Advanced Theological Education (INATE), Pietermaritzburg, KwaZulu-Natal
- Part-Time Lecturer in *Biblical Studies (Old Testament)*** 2002 to 2005
School of Religion and Theology, University of KwaZulu-Natal, Pietermaritzburg, KwaZulu-Natal
- Part-time Lecturer and Graduate Assistant** 2000 to 2001
School of Theology, University of Natal, Pietermaritzburg, KwaZulu-Natal
- Tutor** 1999
Faculty of Humanities, University of Cape Town, Cape Town, Western Cape

Head Tutor	1999
<i>Department of Religious Studies, University of Cape Town, Cape Town, Western Cape</i>	
Tutor	1997 to 1998
<i>Department of Religious Studies, University of Cape Town, Cape Town, Western Cape</i>	
Research Assistant to Dr. E. E. I. Moosa	1996
<i>Centre for Contemporary Islam, University of Cape Town, Cape Town, Western Cape</i>	

AWARDS

- Rated C2 as an established and recognised researcher, National Research Foundation, 2010
- Top Published Woman Researcher at UKZN, University of KwaZulu-Natal, 2009
- Profiled in "The Book of South African Women 2008", Mail & Guardian, 2008
- Research manager of the "Broken Women-Healing Traditions" Research project funded by the Norwegian Research Council and the South African National Research Council, Pietermaritzburg, KwaZulu-Natal, 2007
- Award in the category of Gender by the Catholic Press Association, 2007, for the book "African Women, Religion, and Health: Essays in Honour of Mercy Amba Oduyoye," edited by Isabel Phiri and Sarojini Nadar, Maryknoll, NY: Orbis, 2006.
- Annual University of KwaZulu-Natal, 2006, Book Prize for "African Women, Religion, and Health: Essays in Honour of Mercy Amba Oduyoye," edited by Isabel Phiri and Sarojini Nadar, Maryknoll, NY: Orbis, 2006.
- Scholarship, Old Testament Society of South Africa, 2003
- University Research Grant for the Research Project "Bible Studies for Gender Social Transformation", University of Natal, 2002
- "Status of Women in the Profession" Travel Grant, Society of Biblical Literature, Denver, Colorado, USA, 2001
- Scholarship towards Ph.D. Research, National Research Foundation, 2001
- Scholarship towards Ph.D. Research, Eastern Seaboard Association of Tertiary Institutions (ESATI), 2000
- University Scholarships Committee Award, University of Cape Town, 1999
- Scholarship towards Master's Degree Studies, Church of Canana, 1999
- Scholarship towards Master's Degree Studies, Centre for Science Development, 1998
- Scholarship towards B.A. Honours Degree Studies, Centre for Science Development, 1997
- Two Class Medals, University of Cape Town, 1996
- Scholarship towards 1st Year B.A. Degree Studies, University of Natal (Durban), 1994

GUEST LECTURES

- Gurukul Lutheran Theological and Research Institute, Chennai, India, 2009
- Department of Theology, University of Malawi, Blantyre, Malawi, 2008
- Presented the keynote lecture entitled "'What Do (religious) Women Want? Isn't Democracy Enough?' Contemporary Challenges to Religion, Culture and Education in South Africa" at "The Oslo Celebrations" academic seminar "Religion, Environment & Education", University of Oslo, Norway, 2007
- Presented two papers at the Faculty of Theology, University of Oslo. "Feminist Theology: Sexual Abuse and Violence against Women" and "Texts of Terror: De-legitimising Patriarchal Readings in the Old Testament", Faculty of Theology, University of Oslo, Norway, 2007
- Presented a paper entitled: "INATE (International Network in Advanced Theological Education) at the Helm of doing Contextual Theology in the 'Global Village' - Transforming our Theological Institutions", Toronto, Canada, 2002
- Presented a paper entitled: "Subverting Gender Assumptions in the book of Ruth: Deconstructing the Narrative Voice of Ruth." to doctoral students and faculty members, Gurukul Lutheran Theological and Research Institute, Chennai, India, 2001

CHAPTERS IN BOOKS

- "Beyond the 'Ordinary Reader' and the 'Invisible Intellectual': Shifting Contextual Bible Study from Liberation Discourse to Liberation Pedagogy." *The Future of the Biblical Past: A Global Survey of the Field*, edited by Fernando Segovia and Roland Boer, Forthcoming.
- "Her-Stories and Her-Theologies: Charting Feminist Theologies in Africa." *Blackwell Companion to African Religions*, edited by Elias K. Bongmba, Forthcoming.
- "Circles of Abundant Life: A Tribute to Denise Ackermann." *Ragbag Theologies: Essays in Honour of Denise M. Ackermann - A Feminist Theologian of Praxis*, edited by Miranda Pillay, Sarojini Nadar and Clint le Bruyns. Stellenbosch: SUN Press, 2009
- "Who's Afraid of Bible-Believing Christians?." *Lutheran's Respond to Pentecostalism* edited by Karen L. Bloomquist. Minneapolis, MN: Lutheran University Press and Lutheran World Federation, 2008
- "Indentured Theology: White Souls/Black Skins? Decolonizing Pentecostals within the Indian Diaspora." *The Growth of Pentecostalism And Spiritualities in a Global Age*, edited by Sturla J. Stålsett. London: SCM, 2006, 65-89. Co-authored with Gary S.D. Leonard.
- "Texts of Terror-The Conspiracy of Rape in the Bible, Church and Society: The Case of Esther 2:1-18." *African Women, Religion, and Health: Essays in Honour of Mercy Amba Oduyoye*, edited by Isabel Apawo Phiri and Sarojini Nadar. Maryknoll, NY: Orbis, 2006, 77-95.
- "On Being Church: African Women's Voices and Visions." *On Being Church: African Women's Voices and Visions*, edited by Isabel Apawo Phiri and Sarojini Nadar. Geneva: World Council of Churches, 2005, 16-28.
- "Barak God and Die! Women, HIV, and a Theology of Suffering." *Grant Me Justice! HIV/AIDS and Gender Readings of the Bible*, edited by Musa W. Dube and Musimbi Kanyoro. Maryknoll, NY: Orbis, 2004, 60-79.
- "Journeying in Faith: The Stories of Two Ordained Indian Women in the Anglican and Full Gospel Churches in South Africa." *Her-stories: Hidden Histories of Women of Faith in Africa*, edited by Isabel Apawo Phiri, Devakarshanam Betty Govinden and Sarojini Nadar. Pietermaritzburg: Cluster Publications, 2002, 139-158.
- "A South African Indian Womanist Reading of the Character of Ruth." *Other Ways of Reading: African Women and the Bible*, edited by Musa W. Dube. Atlanta, GA: Society of Biblical Literature, 2001, 159-175.
- "Emerging From Muddy Waters." *Reclaiming our Footprints: South African Women Reflect on Context, Identity and Spirituality*, edited by D. M. Ackermann, E. Getman, H. Kotze and J. Tobler. Stellenbosch: EFSA, 2000, 15-32.

REVIEW ARTICLES IN PEER-REVIEWED JOURNALS

- "Review Article - Engaging Biblical Authority." *Journal of Biblical Interpretation* 1. 2008, 375-393
- "Review: What about the Margins? Biblical Scholarship Fifteen Years after Voices From the Margin." *Scriptura* 95. 2007, 293-297.
- "Review Article - The Bible in Africa: Transactions, Trajectories and Trends." *Journal of Theology for Southern Africa* 112. March 2002, 99-104.

ARTICLES IN PEER-REVIEWED JOURNALS

- "'Liberated Through Submission?': The Worthy Woman's Conference (WWC) as a Case Study of Formenism." *Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion* 26/2. 2010, 163-173. Co-authored with Cheryl Potgieter.
- "'Don't Touch Me on My Psychology and Religion!' Feminist Backlash in a Wearable Cloak and Different Voice." *Agenda: Empowering Women for Gender Equity*. 2010, 46-54. Co-authored with Cheryl Potgieter.
- "Talking Back to Religion and HIV&AIDS Using an African Feminist Missiological Framework: Sketching the Contours of the Conversation." *Journal of Constructive Theology: Gender, Religion and Theology in Africa* 16/2. December 2010. Co-authored with Isabel Apawo Phiri.
- "Changing the World: The Task of Feminist Biblical Scholars." *Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion* 25/2. 2009, 137-143.

- "Palatable Patriarchy and Violence Against Wo/men in South Africa: Angus Buchan's Mighty Men's Conference as a Case Study of Masculinism." *Scriptura* 102. 2009, 549-559.
- "'The Bible Says!': Feminism, Hermeneutics and Neo-Pentecostal Challenges." *Journal of Theology for Southern Africa* 134. July 2009, 131-146.
- "Sacred Stories as Theological Pedagogy." *Journal of Constructive Theology* 14/2 and 15/2. 2009, 9-24
- "The Feminist Teacher: Pedagogy of the Oppressed Woman?." *Journal of Constructive Theology* 14/2 and 15/2. 2009, 37-56.
- "Beyond the 'Ordinary Reader' and the 'Invisible Intellectual': Shifting Contextual Bible Study from Liberation Discourse to Liberation Pedagogy." *Old Testament Essays* 22/2. 2009, 384-403.
- "The Bible in and for Mission: A Case Study of the Council for World Mission." *Missionalia* 37/2. 2009, 210-228.
- "Going Through the Fire with Eyes Wide Open': African Women's Perspectives on Indigenous Knowledge, Patriarchy and Sexuality." *Journal for the Study of Religion* 22/2. 2009, 5-22. Co-authored with Isabel Apawo Phiri
- "Her-Stories and Her-Theologies: Charting Feminist Theologies in Africa." *Studia Historiae Ecclesiasticae* XXXV [Supplement]. December 2009, 135-150.
- "Toward a Feminist Missiological Agenda: A Case Study of the Jacob Zuma Rape Trial." *Missionalia* 37/1. 2009, 85-102.
- "Contextual Theological Education in Africa and the Challenge of Globalization." *Ecumenical Review* 59/2-3. 2007, 235-241.
- "What's in a Name? Forging a Theoretical Framework for African Women's Theologies." *Journal of Constructive Theology* 12/2. 2006, 5-23.
- "Hermeneutics of Transformation? A Critical Exploration of the Model of Social Engagement Between Biblical Scholars and Faith Communities." *Scriptura* 93. 2006, 339-351.
- "Searching the Dungeons Beneath our Religious Discourses: The Case of Violence Against Women and the 'Unholy Trinity'." *Agenda: Empowering Women for Gender Equity* 66. 2005, 16-22.
- "Paradigm Shifts in Mission: From an Ethic of Domination to an Ethic of Justice and Love: The Case of 1 Tim. 2: 8-15." *Missionalia* 33/2. 2005, 303-314.
- "On Being the Pentecostal Church: Pentecostal Women's Voices and Visions." *The Ecumenical Review* 56/3. 2004, 354-367.
- "Alien Fraudsters in the White Academy: Agency in Gendered Colour." *Journal of Theology for Southern Africa* 120. November 2004, 5-17. Co-authored with Tinyiko Sam Maluleke.
- "On Being Church: African Women's Voices and Visions." *Journal of Constructive Theology* 10/1. July 2004, 1-12.
- "'Texts Of Terror' Disguised as the 'Word Of God': The Case of Esther 2:1-18 and the Conspiracy of Rape in the Bible." *Journal of Constructive Theology* 10/2. December 2004, 59-79.
- "Re-reading Job in the Midst of Suffering in the HIV/AIDS Era: How Not to Talk of God." *Old Testament Essays* 16/2. 2003, 343-357.
- "Gender, Power, Sexuality and Suffering Bodies: Re-reading the Characters of Esther and Vashti for Social Transformation." *Old Testament Essays* 15/1. 2002, 113-130.
- "Breaking the Covenant of Violence against Women." *Journal of Theology for Southern Africa* 114. November 2002, 5-17. Co-authored with Tinyiko Sam Maluleke.
- "Living in Two Worlds: The Changing Role of South African Indian Women in the Full Gospel Church." *Journal for the Study of Religion* 14/2. 2001, 73-83.
- "Subverting Gender and Ethnic Assumptions in Biblical Narrative: Exploring the Narrative Voice of Ruth." *Journal of Constructive Theology* 6/2. 2000, 67-84.

EDITORSHIPS: BOOKS

- *Ragbag Theologies: Essays in Honour of Denise M. Ackermann - A Feminist Theologian of Praxis*. Stellenbosch: SUN Press,, 2009. Co-edited with Miranda Pillay and Clint le Bruyn.
- *African Women, Religion, and Health: Essays in Honour of Mercy Amba Oduyoye*. Maryknoll, NY: Orbis, January 2006. Co-edited with Isabel Apawo Phiri.
- *On Being Church: African Women's Voices and Visions*. Geneva: World Council of Churches, 2005. Co-edited with Isabel Apawo Phiri.

- *Her-stories: Hidden Histories of Women of Faith in Africa*. Pietermaritzburg: Cluster Publications, 2002. Co-edited with Isabel Apawo Phiri and Devakarsham Betty Govinden.

GUEST EDITORSHIPS: PEER-REVIEWED JOURNALS

- *Missionalia* 35/3. Special Issue: Pentecostalism in Africa, 2004. Guest-edited with Tinyiko Sam Maluleke
- *Journal of Theology for Southern Africa* 120. Special Issue: The Agency of the Oppressed Discourse: Consciousness, Liberation and Survival in Theological Perspective, November 2004. Guest-edited with Tinyiko Sam Maluleke
- *Journal of Theology for Southern Africa* 114. Special Issue: Overcoming Violence against Women and Children, November 2002. Guest-edited with Tinyiko Sam Maluleke

CONFERENCES AND PAPERS

- Gender resource person for strategic group meeting on "Mission in the Midst of Empire", Council for World Mission, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, 2010
- Three presentations with Isabel Apawo Phiri and Phumzile Zondi-Mabizela at the "Broken Women, Healing Traditions" Conference, University of Oslo, Norway, 2010
- Presentation on the "Bible in and for Mission" at the Centenary of the 1910 World Missionary Conference, Edinburgh, Scotland, 2010
- Presented a plenary paper at the "International Conference on Bible and Politics in Africa", Kloster Banz, Bad Staffelstein, Germany, 2010
- Presented a paper entitled "'Can the creation narratives assist in creating just and ethical gender-relations in the context of HIV & AIDS?'" at the "Bible and Ethics in South Africa" Conference, Old Testament Society of South Africa, Vanderbijlpark, Gauteng, South Africa, 2010
- Presented a paper with Isabel Apawo Phiri entitled: "'Cutting Cultural Corners': A Case for Ritual Male Circumcision as a Health Asset for HIV Prevention from an African Feminist Perspective", American Academy of Religion, Atlanta, Georgia, USA, 2010
- Presented a response paper to a plenary panel session on Liberation and Embodiment at the 3rd World Forum on Theology and Liberation, Belem, Brazil, 2009
- Presented a plenary paper entitled "Who's Afraid of the Mighty Men's Conference: Palatable Patriarchy and Violence Against Wo/Men", Inclusive and Affirming Ministries (IAM), Stellenbosch, South Africa, 2009
- Presented three papers at the Joint Conference of Academic Societies in the fields of Religion and Theology, Stellenbosch, South Africa, 2009 - Paper 1: "Who's Afraid of the Bible-Believing Christian: Reading the Bible as Feminist in Relation to Neo-Pentecostal Challenges."; Paper 2: "Rape, Lobola, Polygamy and Compensation: Inter-Religious Resources for Assisting in Just Gender Relations in the Context of HIV&AIDS."; Paper 3: "Beyond the Ordinary Reader and the Invisible Intellectual: Pushing the Boundaries of Contextual Bible Study Discourses."
- Facilitator and resource person for the "Positive Masculinities for Partnership and Women's Spiritualities of Resilience, Healing, and Wholeness" Consultation, World Council of Churches, Chiang Mai, Thailand, 2009
- Presented a plenary paper entitled "Theologically Engaging our Contexts in Creative and Critical Ways" at Lutheran World Federation Consultation, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Hong Kong, China, 2008
- Presented a plenary paper entitled "Doing Contextual Bible Studies: An Overview" at the "Reading the Bible in Context" Workshop, Council for World Mission, Tainan, Taiwan, 2008
- Presented a plenary paper entitled "'Who's Afraid of the Bible-Believing Christian?' Reading the Bible in Relation to Neo-Pentecostal Challenges", Lutheran World Federation Consultation, Central Lutheran Diocesan Centre, Soweto, Gauteng, South Africa, 2008
- Plenary Speaker at the "International Bible Days" Consultation to facilitate bible studies related to sexual violence and provide practical training, Church of Sweden, Rattvik, Sweden, 2008
- Facilitated Contextual Bible Studies on "Women in Mission" at a preparatory meeting for the Edinburgh 2010 Mission Conference, Geneva, Switzerland, 2008

- Commissioned as a consultant to train participants in Contextual Bible Study methodology at the All Africa Conference of Churches (AACC) General Assembly, Ecumenical HIV&AIDS Initiative in Africa (EHAIA), World Council of Churches, Maputo, Mozambique, 2008
- Invited to train an ecumenical group of twenty people from around the world on conducting bible studies related to sexual violence, Bossey Ecumenical Institute, Geneva, Switzerland, 2007
- Presented a paper entitled "'It's Part of my Culture!' (and religion) - Feminist Cultural Hermeneutics in the Light of the Jacob Zuma Rape Trial" at a Writer's Workshop for a book commissioned on the Jacob Zuma Rape Trial, Human Sciences Research Council, Johannesburg, Gauteng, South Africa, 2007
- Presented a paper entitled "'Malaka-le Theologies' - A Tribute to the Work of Mercy Oduyoye" at a plenary session of the Special Topics Forum "Women Speaking to Religion and Leadership: Honouring the Work of Mercy Oduyoye", American Academy of Religion Meeting, Washington D.C., USA, 2006
- Presented a paper entitled "'Ain't I a Woman?' Differences, Similarities, and Collaboration between African Women's and Womanist Biblical Hermeneutics" at the African-American Biblical Hermeneutics Section, American Academy of Religion Meeting, Washington D.C., USA, 2006
- Presented a paper entitled "Talking Snakes and the Challenge of Marginal Hermeneutics" on the panel "Still at the Margins: Biblical scholarship fifteen years after Voices from the Margin", American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, Washington D.C., USA, 2006
- Invited as a resource person for "The Holy Spirit and the Church" Seminar, Ecumenical Research Institute, Strasbourg, France, 2006
- Presented a paper entitled "Theological Education in Africa and the Challenge of Globalisation" for the panel "Theological Education in Africa and the Middle East" Section of the Ninth Assembly of the World Council of Churches", Porto Alegre, Brazil, 2006
- Presented a paper entitled: "Hermeneutics of Transformation?" A Critical Exploration of the Model of Social Engagement between Biblical Scholars and Faith Communities", Society for Biblical Literature and American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, USA, 2005
- Co-presented with Isabel Apawo Phiri the Africa Report in the "On Being Church: Women's Voices and Visions" Consultation, World Council of Churches, Geneva, Switzerland, 2005
- Presented a paper entitled "Paradigm Shifts in Mission From Domination to Justice And Love: The Case of 1 Timothy 2:8-15", Missiological Society of South Africa Annual Meeting, Pretoria, South Africa, 2005
- Presented the student module, "Studying the Hebrew Bible in HIV&AIDS Contexts" at a ten-day workshop, Theological Education by Extension (TEE), Gabarone, Botswana, 2005
- Presented a paper entitled "The Case of Violence Against Women and the Intersections of Cultural Practice and Public Culture" at the Tangencya, Create South Africa Workshop, Durban, South Africa, 2004
- Presented the key-note address entitled "Searching the Dungeons Beneath our Religious Discourses: The Case of Violence against Women and the 'Unholy Trinity'" at the launch of the "Spirituality and Religion" issue of the feminist journal Agenda, Durban, South Africa, 2004
- Presented a paper entitled "On Being the Pentecostal Church: Pentecostal Women's Voices and Visions" at a joint Circle of Concerned African Women Theologians and World Council of Churches Consultation, Johannesburg, Gauteng, South Africa, 2003
- Participated in the "Convention between Churches and Theologians in Government" Consultation, KwaZulu-Natal Christian Council/University of Natal, Pietermaritzburg, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa, 2003
- Presented a paper entitled: "How do I Approach the Bible from a Gender Perspective?" at a Circle of Concerned African Women Theologians Workshop, Pietermaritzburg, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa, 2003
- Presented a paper entitled: "Biblical Narrators and Biblical Interpreters Conspiring to Cover-up the Rape of Women: The Case of Esther 2:1-18 from a South African Indian Perspective" at a Conference on Gender, Budapest, Hungary, 2003
- Presented a paper entitled: "Re-reading Job in the Midst of Suffering in the HIV/AIDS Era: How Not to Talk of God," at a pan-African Circle of Concerned African Women Theologians Conference, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, 2002
- Participated in a Consultation entitled "Engendering Theological Education", Lutheran World Federation, Geneva, Switzerland, 2002

- Presented a paper entitled, "Journeying in Faith: The Stories of Two Ordained Indian Women in the Anglican and Full Gospel Churches in South Africa", Commission on Biographies of Women of Faith in Africa workshop, Johannesburg, Gauteng, 2002
- Presented a paper entitled "Breaking the Covenant of Violence, Breaking the Covenant of Silence - Voices in the Wilderness" at the Pan-African Circle of Concerned African Women Theologians Conference, Accra, Ghana, 2001
- Presented a paper entitled "Living in Two Worlds: Spiritualities of Indian Christian Women" at the International Network in Advanced Theological Education (INATE) Consultation, Hong Kong, China, 2001
- Presented a paper entitled: "Deconstructing the Characters of Vashti and Esther for Social Transformation", Society for Biblical Literature and American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, Denver, Colorado, USA, 2001
- Presented a paper entitled: "Gender, Power, Sexuality and Suffering Bodies in the Book of Esther: Reading the Characters of Esther and Vashti for the Purpose of Social Transformation" at the Old Testament Society of South Africa Conference, Potchefstroom, South Africa, 2001
- Presented a paper entitled: "A South African Indian Womanist Reading of Ruth" at the Society of Biblical Literature Conference, Cape Town, South Africa, 2000
- Presented a paper entitled "Deconstructing the Book of Ruth for the Purpose of Rediscovering Submerged Meanings" at the "Hidden Histories, Open Opportunities: Women in Theological Education" Workshop, International Network in Advanced Theological Education (INATE), Budapest, Hungary, 2000
- Presented a paper entitled "Subverting Gender and Ethnicity in Biblical Narrative" at the Inter-Action Postgraduate Conference, Franschoek, Western Cape, South Africa, 1999
- Participated in a Workshop on Violence against Women organised by the Cape Town chapter of the Circle of Concerned African Women Theologians, Cape Town, Western Cape, South Africa, 1999
- Chaired the Session "The Impact of AIDS in South Africa, and the Government's Responses", The Council for a Parliament of the World's Religions, Cape Town, Western Cape, South Africa, 1999
- Participated on behalf of the Circle of Concerned African Women Theologians, at a Conference organised by the National Initiative for Contextualising Theological Education (NICTE), Johannesburg, Gauteng, South Africa, 1998

NON-REFEREED ARTICLES AND POPULAR PIECES

- "The Wrong Kind of Power." *Mail and Guardian (SA)*. April 2010
- "When did the rock become Weak?." *Mail and Guardian (SA)*. August 2008
- "Skal vi bare ta imot det gode fra Gud." *Tid for Naervaer en fastevandring*. Kirkens Nodhjelp, 2003
- "To Hope or Not to Hope: Reflections on the Indian Context by a South African Indian Woman." *Jyoti Magazine*. Gurukul Lutheran Theological and Research Institute, 2000

CONFERENCE AND EVENT ORGANISING

- Organised and facilitated a one-day "Theological Resources for Overcoming Gender Violence" workshop on gender violence, Pietermaritzburg, KwaZulu-Natal,, 2008 - Conducted with over 150 students, church leaders and laypersons.
- Organised and facilitated a one-day "Theological Resources for Overcoming Gender Violence" workshop as part of the International 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence Programme, Funded by the World Council of Churches - Justice and Peace Desk, Chatsworth, KwaZulu-Natal, 2007 - Conducted with over 100 church leaders and laypersons.
- Organised and coordinated an International Consultation entitled: "Contextual Theology in 'Gendered Colour': Doing Theology in the Global Village", Budapest, Hungary, 2006
- Co-organised and coordinated an International Consultation entitled, "Theological Responses to Illness, Stigma and Discrimination: Forging Contextual Theologies in an Era of HIV/AIDS", Gender and Theology Programme, School of Religion and Theology, University of KwaZulu-Natal, Pietermaritzburg, KwaZulu-Natal, 2003 - Co-organised with Isabel Apawo Phiri.
- Co-organised the "Commission on Biographies of Women of Faith in Africa" workshop, Johannesburg, Gauteng, South Africa, 2002 - Co-organised with Isabel Apawo Phiri.

- Together with Isabel Apawo Phiri, initiated and launched the Circle of Concerned African Women Theologians (Pietermaritzburg Chapter), Pietermaritzburg, KwaZulu-Natal, 2002
- Worked as a tracker at an international conference entitled "Religion and Public Life" and organised by the Research Institute for Christianity in South Africa (RICSA), Cape Town, Western Cape, 2001 - Duties included tracking the sessions on Faith and Health, and Women and Abuse, and providing a critical report which was published after the Conference.

PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

- Guest Speaker at Annual Prize-giving Festival** 2010
St. Cyprian's School, Cape Town, Western Cape, South Africa
- Motivational Speaking Engagements** 2009
Women's Month - Presentations given at ABSA Private Bank, Pietermaritzburg; ABSA Private Bank, Umhlanga; Tiger Brands, Durban; South African Democratic Teacher's Union, Durban; Pietermaritzburg Agency for Christian Social Awareness (PACSA).
- Motivational Speaking Engagement** 2009
Youth Rally, Phoenix, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa - Delivered a presentation entitled: "Rising from the Ashes, Emerging From Muddy Waters: What Good Can Come From Phoenix?"
- Guest Speaker** 2009
College of Transfiguration, Grahamstown, Eastern Cape, South Africa - Delivered a presentation entitled "Education in the Service of Liberation."
- Panellist** 2009
SAFM Radio - Panel discussion on the topic of Religion and Politics ahead of the elections.
- Training Facilitator** 2009
Congregational Church of South Africa - Conducted training session on Contextual Bible Studies.
- Social Commentator** 2008 to Present
Mail and Guardian (SA) - Providing commentary on pertinent gender issues, e.g., the ANC Youth League President, Julius Malema's derogatory statements on rape survivors.
- Social Commentator** 2008
Sunday Times (SA) - Providing commentary on contemporary gender issues.
- Social Commentator** 2008
ETV, SAFM Radio, Radio 702 and Capricorn FM - Providing commentary on such contemporary gender issues as the ordination of women bishops and patriarchy in religion and culture.
- Workshop Facilitator** 2006
Gender Empowerment Workshops - Conducted gender empowerment workshops on the topics of violence, HIV&AIDS, religion and culture, for various NGOs and other organisations including the Pietermaritzburg Agency for Christian Social Awareness (PACSA), Engen Refinery and various church organisations, Pietermaritzburg, KwaZulu-Natal.

PROFESSIONAL BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

- Academic Coordinator: Postgraduate Studies** 2008 to Present
Higher Degrees Committee, School of Religion and Theology, University of Kwa-Zulu Natal - Duties include: chairing meetings; reviewing applications; Sitting on the Faculty Higher Degrees Board; Reviewing proposals. Presently, there are over 200 postgraduate students within the School of Religion and Theology.
- Reviewer** 2008 to Present
Old Testament Essays

Board Member <i>Higher Degrees Committee, Faculty of Humanities, Development and Social Science, University of KwaZulu-Natal</i>	2008 to Present
International Editorial Board Member <i>Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion</i>	2007 to Present
Reviewer <i>Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion</i>	2006 to Present
Board Member <i>Centre for Constructive Theology</i>	2006 to Present
Editorial Board Member <i>Semeia Studies</i>	2006
Chairperson of the Transformation Committee <i>School of Religion and Theology, University of Kwa-Zulu Natal</i>	2004 to 2005
Board Member <i>School of Religion and Theology, University of Kwa-Zulu Natal</i>	2004 to Present
Co-editor <i>Journal of Constructive Theology</i>	2004 to Present
Reviewer <i>Journal of Theology for Southern Africa</i>	2004 to Present
Member of the Executive <i>Old Testament Society of South Africa</i>	2005
Coordinator <i>Circle of Concerned African Women Theologians (Pietermaritzburg Chapter)</i>	2002 to 2005
Resource Person <i>Ujamaa Centre for Biblical and Theological Community Development and Research, Gender Desk</i>	2002

PROFESSIONAL BODIES AND ASSOCIATIONS

- Member, Old Testament Society of South Africa
- Member, Society of Biblical Literature (SBL)
- Member, American Academy of Religion (AAR)
- Member, The Circle of Concerned African Women Theologians

POSTGRADUATE SUPERVISION [DEGREE AWARDED]

Ph.D

Cheryl Dibeela, "A Quest for a Liberatory Learning Ethos: (A Case Study of the Women's Associations in the United Congregational Church of Southern Africa)." - Co-Supervisor with Steve De Gruchy.

Ph.D

Rose Materu, "Towards Gender-Sensitive Theological Responses To HIV and AIDS: A Critical Study of the HIV And AIDS Policy and Programmes of The Northern Diocese of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania." - Co-Supervisor with Isabel Apawo Phiri.

Ph.D

Lydia Mwaniki, "God's Image or Man's Glory?: A Kenyan Postcolonial Feminist Reading of 1 Corinthians 11:1-16." - Co-Supervisor with Jonathan A. Draper.

Ph.D

Beatrice Dedaa Okyere-Manu, "Shattering the Glass Ceiling': A Critical Feminist Investigation of the Ethical Challenges faced by African Women in Black Economic Empowerment (BEE)." - Co-Supervisor with Felix Munyaradzi Murove.

MTh

Lupyani Bodson, "The (Sub)Ordination of Women in the Evangelical Church in Zambia: A Critical Analysis of the Ecclesiological and Hermeneutical Principles Underlying the Refusal of Ordination to Women." - Primary Supervisor.

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Nokokure Gaomas, "The Effects of Biblical and Cultural Patriarchy on the Lives of Married Damara Women in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the Republic of Namibia (ELCRN)." - Primary Supervisor.

MPhil

Virginia Francis, "Prosperity for Whom? Pentecostalism and Social Responsibility." - Co-Supervisor with Mark Swillig, School of Public Management & Planning, University of Stellenbosch.

MTh

Jennifer Sistig, "Who's in Charge in a Genderless Marriage? A Queer Analysis of the Opposition to Same-Sex Marriage as Articulated by the Marriage Alliance of South Africa." - Primary Supervisor.

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Jessica Richard, "'Resisting Bodies' as a Hermeneutical Tool for a Critical Feminist Christology of Liberation and Transformation." - Primary Supervisor.

POSTGRADUATE SUPERVISION [CURRENT]

Ph.D

Rosinah Gabaitse, "Towards an African Pentecostal Feminist Biblical Hermeneutic of Liberation: A Case Study of Interpreting Luke-Acts with Batswana" - Co-Supervisor with Jonathan A. Draper.

Ph.D

Eliza Getman, "Embodied Priesthood: Narrative Discourses on Motherhood and Parish Life with South African Clergywomen." - Primary Supervisor.

Ph.D

Trudy Rose, "Who Do You Say That I Am? Shifting Perspectives on my Experience as a Child in Australia, Missionary in Ethiopia, PhD Student in South Africa and M/other in Canada." - Primary Supervisor.

Ph.D

Rubeena Partab, "Challenging Masculinities: Critical Feminist Reflections on the relationship between Domestic Violence and Religion Masculinities." - Primary Supervisor.

Ph.D

Stella Kasirye, "From Contradictions to Commitment: Analysing Structures that Legitimise HIV and AIDS Related Stigma and Discrimination in Church Programming." - Primary Supervisor.

Ph.D

Kennedy Owino, "A Return To 'Godly Manhood': Emerging Evangelical Constructions of Masculinities in the South African Context as Demonstrated through the Mighty Men's Conference (MMC)." - Co-Supervisor with Isabel Apawo Phiri.

Ph.D

Cynthia Webbstock, "Paying Lip Service to Gender Equality: A Feminist Discursive Analysis of the Language used in the Ministry of the Anglican Church of South Africa." - Primary Supervisor.

MTh

Phumzile Zondi, Reading Hannah's Narrative (1 Samuel 1:1-18) alongside the Struggle for Reproductive Health Rights for HIV+ Women." - Primary Supervisor.

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Susan Valiquette, "Why did God Let it Happen?' Restoring Relationship with God after Rape." - Primary Supervisor.

MTh

Lindiwe Khuzwayo, "A Threat to Zulu Patriarchy and the Continuation of Community": Same-Sex Relationships amongst Female Traditional Healers at Inanda and KwaNgcolosi, KwaZulu-Natal." - Co-Supervisor with Isabel Apawo Phiri.

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Albert Bangirana, "In God's Image?" Single Women and Vulnerability to HIV." - Primary Supervisor.

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Jonathan Kangwa, "Gender, HIV and Female Initiation Rites in Zambia." - Primary Supervisor.

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- **School of Religion and Theology, University of KwaZulu-Natal, 2010** - 1. Theory and Method (Honours Core Module); 2. Proposal Writing Module (Masters Core Module); 3. Issues of Masculinity and Gender (Honours/Masters Elective); 4. Critical Tools for Biblical Study (2nd year Literary and Gender Component of Module); 5. History of Christianity (3rd year Gender Component of Module).
- **School of Religion and Theology, University of KwaZulu-Natal, 2009** - 1. African Women's Theologies (Honours/Masters Elective); 2. Systematic Theology: Political and Economic Ethics: Theological Perspectives (3rd year Teaching Component: Feminist Theologies); 3. Biblical Theology (3rd year Teaching Component: Gender, Bible and HIV&AIDS); 4. Critical Tools for Biblical Study (2nd year Literary and Gender Component of Module); 5. Biblical Hermeneutics: Women and Gender (Honours/Masters Elective); 6. History of Christianity (3rd year Gender Component of Module).
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- **School of Religion and Theology, University of KwaZulu-Natal, 2007** - 1. Theory and Method (Honours Core Module); 2. Gender, Tradition and the Church in Africa (Honours/Masters Core Module); 3. African Women's Theologies (Honours/Masters Elective); 4. Systematic Theology: Political and Economic Ethics: Theological Perspectives (3rd year Teaching Component: Feminist Theologies); 5. Biblical Hermeneutics: Women and Gender (Honours/Masters Elective Gender, Religion and Ethics (3rd year).
- **School of Religion and Theology, University of KwaZulu-Natal, 2006** - 1. Theory and Method (Honours Core Module); 2. Gender, Tradition and the Church in Africa (Honours/Masters Core Module); 3. African Women's Theologies (Honours/Masters Elective); 4. Issues of Masculinity and Gender (Honours/Masters Elective); 5. Applied Global Ethics (1st year Hinduism; Gender, Religion and Ethics); 6. The Ethics of Power (2nd year Contemporary Issues in Gender and Ethics); 7. Gender Issues in Religion and Ethics (3rd year).
- **School of Religion and Theology, University of KwaZulu-Natal, 2002 to 2005** - 1. Biblical Studies (1st year An Introduction to The Old Testament); 2. Biblical Studies (2nd year Literary Biblical Analysis: Ruth and Esther); 3. Biblical Studies (3rd year Gender, Bible and HIV&AIDS); 4. Biblical Studies (Honours and Masters Feminist and Womanist Hermeneutics); 5. Guest lecturer: St Joseph's Theological Institute, Cedara, Feminist Theology (2nd and 3rd year levels).

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