

KAREN ELAINE JONES, Ph.D.

Professor	Ministry and Missions, Department Chair	1998-present
	Director of Graduate Programs in Christian Ministry	2013-present
	Veritas Theology Institute, Director	2015-present
	* Institutes held on Huntington University campus, June 2017 and 2018; Havana Baptist Theological Seminary, Havana, Cuba, July 2018	

RELATED ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

- * Grant proposal funded by Luther Seminary/Templeton Foundation for Science in Youth Ministry initiative; developed and taught a course on Holistic Youth Ministry in spring of 2018
- * Youth Leader Training Conference Leader, Dubai, United Arab Emirates, June 2015 (students were from various regions of Iran)
- * Director for Doctor of Educational Ministry program at Havana Baptist Theological Seminary- appointed in fall of 2018; currently working on curriculum development and accreditation
- * Accreditation consultant for Master's in Youth Ministry program at Malaysia Baptist Theological Seminary, 2018
- Guest professor for graduate courses in youth ministry
 - Master's students, Beijing, China, April 2018 (degree granted through Youth Ministry International and Malaysia Baptist Theological Seminary)
 - Nigeria Baptist Theological Seminary, Ogomoboso, Nigeria, December 2017
 - Sekolah Tinggi Teologi Jaffrew Seminary, Jakarta, Indonesia, January 2016
 - Malaysia Baptist Theological Seminary, Penang, Malaysia, June 2013 and July 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018
 - Baptist Theological Seminary, Bucharest, Romania, June 2014
 - Himalayan Graduate School of Theology, Kathmandu, Nepal, June 2011
 - Bautista Seminario Teológico, Mexico City, Mexico, February 2009
 - Seminario Teológico Bautista de Cuba Oriental, Santiago, Cuba, June 2006
- * Assessment visit and report for Christian Service College, Kumasi,

Ghana, 2002

- * Council of Christian Colleges and Universities Women's Leadership Development Institute, Seattle, 2000

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS and SERVICE

- Association of Youth Ministry Educators, 1998-present; Executive Board, 2013-16; chair of 2015 national conference
- * *Christian Education Journal*, Editorial Advisory Board, 2006-09
- * *Global Center for Youth Ministry*, Scholar Fellow
- * International Association for the Study of Youth Ministry, 1998-present; Executive Board, 2003-13; chair of 2013 conference, New College; Cambridge, UK
- * *Journal of Ethnographic and Qualitative Research*, Editorial Review Board, 2008-15
- * *Journal of Youth Ministry*, Book Review Editor, 2000-03; 2018
- * National Network of Youth Ministries, 1998-2005
- * North American Professors of Christian Education (renamed *Society of Professors of Christian Education*), 1996-present; Executive Board, 2002-06 and 2017-present; Vice-President and conference chair for 2019
- * Youth Ministry Executive Council, 1999-present
- * Youth Ministry International, Executive Board, Missionary Appointment Committee, Curriculum Revision Chair, 2014-present
- * *Youthworker Journal*, Advisory Board, 1998-99

PROFESSIONAL SCHOLARSHIP (highlights)

PUBLISHING

- * Chapter on Discipleship for youth ministry text, *Raising the Bar*, Baker Publishing, in progress
- * *Multiple Intelligences and Learning Styles*, chapter in *Teaching the Next Generations*, Baker Academic, December 2015
- * *Jesus-Centered Bible*, seventeen sidebars, Group Publishing, 2014
- * *Holistic Pastoral Care*, chapter in *Christian Youth Work in Theory and Practice: A Handbook*, SCM Press, U.K., April 2014
- * *Moral and Spiritual Development*, chapter in *Theology of Family Ministry*, Broadman and Holman, July 2011
- * *Sending Them Home*, chapter in *It Happens: True Tales from the Trenches of Youth Ministry*, edited by Will Penner, Zondervan, 2011
- * *Christian Education Journal*, guest editor, Experiential Learning issue, April-May 2010

- * “Merton P. Strommen: Research Pioneer for Youth and Ministry Effectiveness,” *Outstanding Educators of the 20th Century* project, a publication of Talbot Seminary, 2006
- * Editor, Student Worldview Handbook and Teacher’s Worldview Handbook, Anchors Away Ministries, Carmel, IN, 2005
- * *Research implications for SBC churches based on the findings of the National Study of Youth and Religion*, in Transforming Student Ministry, LifeWay, 2005
- * “Community as a Supernatural Phenomenon,” *YouthWorker Journal*, July 2005
- * “To See a World in a Grain of Sand: The Futile Attempt to Describe Youth Culture,” *Journal of Youth and Theology*, May 2003
- * *Discipleship*, chapter in Kingdom Focused Student Ministry, LifeWay, 2003
- * “The Problem of Evil,” *Huntington College Magazine*, Spring 2003
- * “Submission: An Equal Opportunity Discipline,” *YouthWorker Journal*, May/June 2003
- * Youth Ministry That Transforms; co-authored book based on original research through Link Institute’s Study of Protestant Youth Ministers in America, Zondervan/Youth Specialties, August 2001
- * *Acting Wisely: Retreats, Trips, and Events*, chapter in Starting Right: Thinking Theologically About the Practice of Youth Ministry, Zondervan/Youth Specialties, 2001
- * *Targeting a Group*, chapter in On Mission Self-Study Workbook, North American Mission Board, March 2000
- * “The Real Impact of Work Camps,” *Group*, November/December 1999
- * “Refining the Image: A Vocational Perspective of Youth Ministry,” *Christian Education Journal*, Fall 1999

CONSULTATIONS, PRESENTATIONS, and RESEARCH

- * Presentation on Next-Gen Pastors at SBC Youth Ministry Professors, Nashville, TN (September 2018)
- * Taught course on Understanding Youth Culture for *YouthMin Academy*; online training program for youth ministers (Spring 2017. Fall 2018)
- * Chaired a plenary session on special needs in youth ministry; International Association for the Study of Youth Ministry, Biennial conference (Sydney, Australia, January 2017)
- * Children’s Ministry Seminar leader (Havana, Cuba, January, 2013)

- * Keynote chairperson: “*Koinonia – Youth ministry in a church as Community*, Patrick C. Höring (Munich, Germany), IASYM Biennial Conference (Cambridge, UK, January, 2013)
- * Response to keynote presentation by Kenda Creasy-Dean (Princeton Theological Seminary) *The Danger of Christian Education in an MTD World*, NAPCE (Dallas, TX, October, 2013)
- * Research presentation with Luke Fetters, *Content Analysis of Spiritual Journey Narratives of Emerging Generation Christians*, NAPCE (Dallas, TX, October, 2013)
- * Professional workshop, *Ambition and Humility/Academy and Kingdom: Pursuing Advancement with Integrity*, AYME, Dallas, TX, October 2013
- * Response to *Christian Identity in a Global Village: American and European Youth Perspectives in the 21st Century*, IASYM European Conference, Tallinn, Estonia, April, 2012
- * Research consultation on youth faith development, Berry Institute, Jackson, Mississippi, 2010
- * Expert panel for doctoral research on the exploration of calling among college students, George Siler, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, 2010
- * Chaired a doctoral defense committee for David Yoon, a youth minister seeking his Doctor of Ministry degree from GGBTS, 2010
- * Respondent to paper on *Contextuality, intersectionality and youth ministry*, by Brigitte Lorheim, IASYM European Youth Ministry Conference, Mesnali, Norway, April, 2010
- * *Early Ministry Implications from a Questionnaire Administered to Youth Representing Various Ethnicities and Cultures*, presentation of original research, funded by a grant from Group Publishing, annual conference of North American Professors of Christian Education, October 2006
- * Guest lecturer and seminar leader for youth, youth ministers, and parents of youth, *International Center for World Mission and Bible Seminary Bonn*; Bonn, Germany, April 2006
- * *The Future of Youth Ministry*, presentation for the Spirit of Youth Ministry conference, Hartford, CT, August 2005
- * *Faith Factors* consultant, major longitudinal research study jointly undertaken by Luther Seminary, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, and The Center for Youth Ministry, funded by a Lilly research grant, 2000-04
- * Keynote presentation of research drawn from the Lilly funded *Study of Protestant Youth Ministers in America*, International Association for the Study of Youth Ministry, Mansfield College,

Oxford, England, January 2001

- * *Developmentally Appropriate Ministry With Adolescents*, European Baptist Convention, Interlaken, Switzerland, July 2000
- * *Critical Need for Missions Education and Experience in Youth Ministry*, Youth Ministry Conclave, Arlington, TX, October 2000
- * Southern Baptist Youth Discipleship Leaders' workshops: *Discipleship Strategies for Youth Ministry, The Spiritual Life of the Minister to Youth, Teaching Youth to Share Jesus Without Fear, Mentoring in Youth Ministry, and Utilizing Small Groups in Ministry*; Ridgecrest Baptist Conference Center, Black Mountain, NC, February and March 1999
- * Workshop leader, *The Five Cries of Youth Ministers, The Spiritual Impact of Work Camps, Gender Issues in Youth Ministry, and Teaching Teens to Think Theologically*; Youth Specialties National Youth Workers' Convention, Denver, CO and Nashville, TN, October/November 1998

SERVICE (highlights)

- * *Imagine* Capital Campaign Committee, The Pointe Church, Fort Wayne, IN, 2015
- * *Thrive* Capital Campaign Committee, The Pointe Church, Fort Wayne, IN, 2013
- * *Women in Ministry*, student ministry workshop at *The Call* student conference, Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma, September 2013
- * Keynote speaker, Western Cuba National Youth Ministry Leadership Conference, Havana, Cuba, January 2013
- * Training workshop for teachers of Christianity in public schools, Istanbul, Turkey, July 2013
- * *International World Changers Project Coordinator* (IMB), Penang, Malaysia, 2009 and 2011; Ayorou, Niger, 2008; Braila, Romania, 2005 and 2010; Cluj, Romania, 2006 and 2007; Berlin, Germany, 2004; Casablanca, Morocco, 2001
- * *World Changers Project Coordinator* (NAMB), Savannah, GA, 2012; Springfield, IL, 2011; Clarksville, TN, 2010; San Diego, California, 2009; Cheyenne, Wyoming, 2004; West Memphis, AR, 2001; Peoria, IL, 2000; Youngstown, OH, 1998 and 1999
- * Counselor and workshop leader, *Horizon*, Korean youth camp, California, August 2009
- * Devotion Speaker, CCCU Faculty Development Conference, Denver, CO, Summer 2001