

KEN J. WALDEN, Ph.D.

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EDUCATION:

CLAREMONT SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY, Claremont, CA

Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Practical Theology: Pastoral Care and Counseling | May 2011

GRADUATE THEOLOGICAL FOUNDATION, South Bend, IN

Doctor of Ministry in Ecumenical Ministries | May 2006

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE, AIR UNIVERSITY, Montgomery, AL

Squadron Officer School | June 2006

DUKE UNIVERSITY DIVINITY SCHOOL, Durham, NC

Master of Divinity | May 2002

THE CITADEL, Charleston, SC

Bachelor of Arts – Social Studies Education | May 1999

CIVILIAN EXPERIENCE:

Hood Theological Seminary, Salisbury, NC

08/2014 – Present

Associate Professor of Pastoral Care and Counseling

- Director of The Center For Chaplaincy
- Director of Supervised Ministry

Wounded Warrior Program, Naval District Washington, Washington, DC

09/2013 – 07/2014

Senior Leadership - Provided advisement pertaining to trauma, strategies related to stress, pastoral care and counseling, spiritual enrichment, family support, managing conflict, problem solving, and effective communication.

- Led retreats for personal growth, character development, team building, ethical leadership.

CLAFLIN UNIVERSITY, Orangeburg, SC

07/2012 – 09/2013

University Chaplain/ Professor of Philosophy & Religion – Led worship. Provided counsel to 2000+ students, faculty in relation to emotional or spiritual matters. Served as the spiritual advisor to the President of the University. Developed courses and conducted lectures for undergraduate and graduate students.

CLAREMONT SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY, Claremont, CA

07/2013

United Methodist Church Course of Study at the California Pacific Annual Conference of the UMC

- Taught United Methodist History

First United Methodist Church of Lakewood, Lakewood, CA

07/2009 - 04/2012

Senior Pastor – Transitioned a declining affluent, large congregation from a budget deficit to a financially stable future-thinking church with strong lay leadership.

- Launched a visioning and strategic planning team, comprised of select church leaders, which resulted in new vision, increased engagement and transformed the participation of members.

Wilshire United Methodist Church, Los Angeles, CA

07/2007 - 07/2009

Senior Pastor – Transitioned a multicultural congregation who needed healing and restoration as a church and re-established outreach and ministry within the community.

- Assessed community needs to strategically plan for partnerships with local businesses.

Hope United Methodist Church, Southfield, MI

07/2003 - 07/2005

Associate Pastor Of Pastoral Care and Counseling – Coordinated pastoral care for 2500+ congregants, and developed various ministries. Led church leaders to establish long-term goals and short-term programs.

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Orange United Methodist Church, Chapel Hill, NC 07/2002 - 07/2003
Associate Pastor – Fulfilled various pastoral care responsibilities that included visitation, counseling, teaching, and administrative functions.

VA Hospital, Durham, NC - 1 UNIT ACPE-CPE 2001

MILITARY EXPERIENCE:

Provide opportunities for the free exercise of religion for all religious affiliations. Lead religious education programs and provide resources to members of all faiths. Advise installation commanders and staff on morale, moral, and spiritual matters of personnel. Teach, preach, provide pastoral care and counseling, assist military personnel, their families in preparation for pre-deployment, deployment, and post-deployment.

Locations of United States Air Force Reserves Military Service

Chaplain Major , Shaw Air Force Base, Sumter, SC	07/2014 - Present
Chaplain Major , Joint Bolling-Anacostia Base, Washington, DC	03/2012 - 07/2014
Chaplain Major , March Air Force Base, Riverside, CA	07/2005 - 03/2012
Chaplain Captain , Selfridge Military Base, Mount Clemens, MI	07/2003 - 07/2005
Chaplain 1st Lieutenant , Pope Air Force Base, Fayetteville, NC	07/2002 - 05/2003

PUBLICATIONS:

Books authored by Ken Walden:

1. "Practical Theology for Church Diversity: A Guide for Clergy and Congregations" (2015)
2. "Challenges Faced by Iraq War Reservists and Their Families: A Soul Care Approach for Chaplains and Pastors" (2012)
3. "A Pastor's Poetry: Volume One" (2005)

SELECTED AWARDS AND/ OR RECOGNITION:

1. "Teaching Excellence And Service Award" from Hood Theological Seminary 05/20/ 2016

SELECTED CERTIFICATES & SPECIALIZED TRAINING:

- Elder-Clergy Member of California Pacific Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church (UMC)
- *Studied with Dr. Richard P. Heitzenrater, prominent UMC Scholar at Duke Divinity School*
- Certified Practitioner of the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator (MBTI) Step I and Step II Instruments
- Cognitive – Behavior Conjoint Therapy for Posttraumatic Stress Disorder
- Prevention and Relationship Enrichment Program (PREP)
- Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST)
- Riley Fellow (Strategic Leadership in Diversity)

SELECTED TRAVEL: Canada, England, Egypt, Haiti, Honduras, Italy, Mexico, Northern Ireland, Republic of Ireland, and South Africa.