Michael G Banks

Current ThM, Biblical Studies (79 Hours Completed)

I'm a current ThM student in the Old Testament studies department at Dallas Theological Seminary. I aspire to make theological education accessible in the global missions field through writing, research, and text-critical analysis. My interests pertain to theology, apologetics to the Islamic world, and research topics such as "slavery in the era of the New Testament". I desire to pursue a PhD in biblical studies. In order to support my family while in school, I work as a Product Specialist at the Apple store at Northpark Mall, but for the purposes of this resume I have included my career & research experience most relevant to my academic pursuits. I'm married to my wonderful wife, Rebekah, and we live at Swindoll Tower.

Career & Ministry Experience

Need Him Global Ministries, Dallas, TX (Online) Resident Leadership Program (Part Time)

April 2021 - April 2022

• Trained to answer theological and apologetic questions of skeptics, seekers, and believers, meeting the broken with the Gospel of Jesus Christ via online chat forms.

Passion City Church Him Global Ministries, Atlanta, GA Social Media Coordinator (Full Time)

January 2020 - August 2020

 Built overall Passion Brand, primarily through creatively managing and growing social media accounts. Strategically supported the growth and strategy of Passion by exporting information and resources from our Church to our family, Atlanta, and the world (Social Accounts Included: Passion City, Passion 268, Fight Club, Passion Africa).

Campus Crusade for Christ (Cru), Kolkata, India International STINT Field Staff (Full Time)

April 2018 - August 2019

- Connected with 1,000 students through the means of evangelism and apologetics on more than 10 college campuses in India.
- Individually fundraised over \$32,000 in 2 months to make my work in this location possible.
- Cross-culturally immersed to contextualize ministry to worlds of Hinduism and Islam (where I am interested in working with translation teams)

Academic Experience and Research Exposure

Exposure to issues, topics, and research: *Academic experience gained in time at DTS...*

- Research exposure to challenging themes such as "Slavery in the Era of the New Testament" and William Webb's "Redemptive Hermeneutic"; See attached writing sample (via Dr. Fantin's course).
- Intertextual, exegetical and text-critical experience (via OT5430, Exegesis of Isaiah).
- BHS Apparatus and text-critical training with Dr. Robert Chisholm in Proverbs, Psalms and Isaiah (via OT5104 with Dr. Chisholm).
- Theological and apologetic training—with Need Him Global and Campus Crusade
 (Cru)— to respond to believers, seekers and skeptics' questions about challenging
 passages of Scripture.

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Skills & Experience

- BHS Apparatus Training
- Copywriting & Editing
- Apologetics and Evangelism
- Hebrew Text-Critical Experience
- New Testament Research Exposure

Education

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Dallas Theological Seminary

Master of Theology (May 2024) —Dallas, TX

- 3.81 GPA
- 79 Completed hours
- Old Testament Emphasis
- 2022 WEC Volunteer Director
- John D and Maggie
 Windham Endowed
 Scholarship Recipient

University of Georgia

Public Relations A.B. Minor: Spanish Language & Linguistics (May 2018) — Athens, GA

- 3.62 GPA
- Grady College; Dean's
- Bateman National Competitor
- TEDxUGA—Student Showcase Speaker

Language

Hebrew (*Intermediate*; completed OT5101-OT5104 at DTS)

Greek (Beginner; Taking NT5103 in Summer term)