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Qualifications

I hold degrees in Classics and Theology from the University of Uppsala, Sweden. I began work in Birmingham under the aegis of the Selly Oak Colleges teaching undergraduate courses in Islamic Studies and Christian-Muslim and supervising post graduate research.

Biography

After completing the Cambridge Overseas School Certificate at Milton School, Bulawayo, Zimbabwe I enrolled at the University of Rhodes, Grahamstown before joining the University of Uppsala for Classics and Theology. After being awarded my BA, BD I was awarded scholarships to do Islamic Studies at Hartford Seminary Foundation, Hartford CT and American University in Cairo. Subsequently I taught at Makumira Theological College, near Arusha, now part of Tumaini University, Tanzania. Further studies, at the University of Uppsala, Sweden, this time in missiology resulted in the award of a ThD. Subsequently I was invited to lecture at the Selly Oak Colleges in Islamic Studies and Missiology in the context of which I became a recognized lecturer at the University of Birmingham.

Teaching

I have taught courses in Islamic Studies, Church and Mission History and Old Testament.

Research

Islam and Christian-Muslim Relations in Africa.I am currently involved in research on the potential of the concept of the Kingdom of God as a means towards a deeper understanding between Jews, Christians and Muslims.

Editing East African manuscript entitled "Kawkab al-Durriya li Akhbar Ifriqiya".

Other activities

I have presented papers at international conferences in Missiology and Islamic Studies in the UK, Europe and North America. I have examined post graduate degrees in the UK, Europe and Africa.

Publications

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