

Resume for John David Ferrer

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I am a lifelong educator and minister with the passion, vision, and commitment to equip young minds with great ideas and the skill to wield them wisely. Along with my wife, Hillary Ferrer (founder of Mama Bear Apologetics), I've been serving in apologetics education – through churches and schools – for more than 20 years.

Education

Southwestern Baptist Seminary – Ph.D. & Th.M. Philosophy of Religion, minor in Ethics
Southern Evangelical Seminary – M.Div. Apologetics emphasis in Languages
Charleston Southern University – B.A. Communication, Religion, minor in Sociology

Teaching & Ministry Experience

- Feb-June 2018 *Teaching Intern at Developing Great Relationships* (Pella, IA)
Jan 2018 *Visiting Teacher at Pella Christian High School* (Pella, IA)
2015-2018 *Humanities and Culture Editor for TheBestSchools.org* (Pella, IA)
2009-2015 *Honors and Dual-Credit Teacher at Texas Wesleyan University and Pantego Christian Academy.* TWU and PCA faculty for Bible classes.
2007-2009 *Adjunct Professor in Philosophy at Tarrant County College* (Arlington, TX)
Classes: Logic, Ethics, World Religions, and Philosophy.
2002-2006 *Associate Pastor at North Rock Hill Church* (Rock Hill, SC)

Management/Leadership

- 2021-Current *President – Pella Pro-Life* (Pella, IA)
2021-Current *Preaching/Leadership Team Member at Third Reform Church* (Pella, IA)
2009-2015 *Conference Director – Pantego Christian Apologetics Conferences* (Arlington, TX)
2002-2006 *Associate Pastor/Young Adult Pastor – North Rock Hill Church* (Rock Hill, SC)
2001-2002 *State President – Baptist Collegiate Ministries* (South Carolina)
2001-2001 *Campus President – Charleston Southern Univ. Baptist Collegiate Ministries* (SC)
1996-2006 *Leader/Director – Several different mission/ministry teams stateside and abroad.*

Publishing

- 2021 *Contributing author with Harvest Handbook of World Religions*, Winn Corduan and Daniel McCoy, eds. Harvest House Publishing.
2020 *Contributing author to Answering the Music Man: A Response to Dan Barker*, Kyle Keltz, ed. Wipf & Stock Publishing.
2019 *3 Publications with Christian Research Journal* on world religions.
2017-Current *Several publicans with Equal Rights Institute* on bioethics.
2011-2018 40+ publications with *TheBestSchools.org* – I wrote articles themed on education and compiled hundreds of pages of research on education related topics.
Fall 2015 *Publication with Salvo Magazine*, vol. 34, on bioethics.
April 2015 *Publication with the Journal of the ISCA*, vol. 8.1, on philosophical theology.
Dec 2015 *Body Ethics* [Doctoral Dissertation] (Fort Worth, TX)
Nov 2011 *Publication with Christian Research Journal*. Nov. 2011, on philosophical theology

- Spring-Fall 2011* Two Publication with *Christian Apologetics Journal*, vol. 9.1 and 9.2.
- Dec 2009* *Body Ethics: A Study in the Ethics of Embodiment* [Master's Thesis] (Fort Worth, TX)
- 2009-2010* Multiple Publishings with *CrossExamined.org*, on cultural apologetics
- 2006* Multiple Publishings with *GotQuestions.org*, on world religions.
- 2006* Multiple Publishings with *Counter-Cult Apologetics Journal*, on world religions
- 2004-2005* Multiple Publishings with *Midwest Christian Outreach Journal* on Cults, Occult, and Bible.

Lectures & Presentations

- Oct 25, 2018* Guest teaching at California Baptist Univ. (Riverside, CA) Topic: "Recasting Apologetics"
- 2014-2018* Multiple Presentations at The Bible and Beer Consortium (Dallas, TX).
- Oct 12, 2017* Two Presentations with the Apologetics Academy (Online)
- 2012-2017* Multiple lectures at The National Conference on Christian Apologetics and Ratio Christi Symposium (Charlotte, NC).
- Sept 22, 2015* Presentation at Dallas Philosopher's Forum (TX)
- March-Oct 2013* Presentation at The Inklings: Philosophy Conference, Houston Baptist University (TX)
- March 2013* Presentations at Paedeia Conference and DBU Symposium, Dallas Baptist University (TX)
- 2009-2012* Multiple Presentations at Dallas Socratic Society (Dallas, TX).
- April 2010* Two Presentations at International Society of Christian Apologetics (Fort Worth, TX).
- 2009* Presentation at International Society of Christian Apologetics (Kansas City, MO)
- 2007 & 2009* Presentations at Evangelical Theological Society (New Orleans, LA & San Diego, CA).
- Nov 2006* Presentation at Redeeming Reason Conference sponsored by Intervarsity (Chicago, IL)

Formal Debates and Panels

- Oct 23, 2018* Debate: "Do We Need God for Morality?" with Matt Dillahunty (Texas A&M University)
- April 26, 2018* Debate: "Does Animal Suffering Undermine The Existence of God" with Phil Halper (University of Texas, Arlington)
- April 25, 2017* Debate: "What Grounds The Right to Life?" with Sally Parker-Ryan and Charles Hermes (University of Texas, Arlington)
- November 4, 2015* Debate: "Does God Exist?" with Matt Dillahunty at (Austin Peay University)
- August 9, 2015* Debate: "How Can There Be a Good God If There Is So Much Evil?" with David Smalley, Bible and Beer Consortium (Fort Worth, TX)
- April 14, 2012* Debate: "Does God Exist" with Dr. Robert Sloan Lee, Matt Dillahunty, and J.T. Eberhard. At North Texas Secular Student Alliance Conference (Plano, TX).
- 2009-2011* Panelist and Organizer: "The God Dialogues." Panel-style discussions featuring two atheists and two theists. At Texas A&M (twice), UT-Arlington, and UT-Dallas, (North Texas)
- April 10, 2008* Debate: "Is God Good?" with Zachary Moore at (University of Texas, Arlington)

References

Kevin Korver : (641) 628-3051 : kevink@trcpella.com

Relation: Kevin is my current pastor at Third Reformed Church in Pella.

Richard Land : (559) 909-0885 : rdland@ses.edu

Relation: Dr. Land is the former president of Southern Evangelical Seminary where I received my MDiv.

Dr. Stephen Meyer : (206) 292-0401 : stevemeyer@discovery.org

Relation: A fellow with Discovery Institute, Steve and I became acquainted at the C.S. Lewis Study Program.

Jay Tinklenberg : (817) 733-0551 : mail@newmanacademy.org

Relation: Jay was the principal and department chair when I worked at Pantego Christian Academy.

Dr. James Barham : (708) 305-0257 : jbarham@thebestschools.org

Relation: James and I were colleagues at the TheBestSchools.org.

Jay Pritcher : (214) 777-4227 : jpritcher@krcl.com

Relation: Jay was the headmaster for about four years while I was at Pantego Christian Academy.