

# Janette H. Ok

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

Assistant Professor of Biblical Studies | Azusa Pacific Seminary, Azusa Pacific University

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### EDUCATION

#### PH.D., BIBLICAL STUDIES: NEW TESTAMENT

Princeton Theological Seminary, Princeton, NJ | Spring 2018

#### M.DIV.

Princeton Theological Seminary, Princeton NJ | Spring 2006

#### B.A., STUDY OF RELIGION (MAJOR); ENGLISH (MINOR)

University of California, Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA | Spring 2001

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### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

#### ASSISANT PROFESSOR

Azusa Pacific Seminary | Summer 2015-Present

##### Courses Taught:

Paul the Pastor and Theologian; Gospels and Christology;  
Gospels' Witness to Christ (online & hybrid); Bible and Preaching

#### ADJUNCT PROFESSOR

Azusa Pacific Seminary, Azusa CA | Spring 2012

##### Course Taught:

Luke-Acts

#### TEACHING FELLOW

Princeton Theological Seminar, Princeton NJ | 2007-2011

##### Courses Taught:

Introduction to New Testament | Spring 2011  
Introduction to Biblical Hebrew | Summer 2008  
Introduction to Biblical Greek | Fall 2007 - Spring 2008

#### 11<sup>TH</sup> AND 12<sup>TH</sup> GRADE ENGLISH TEACHER

Compton High School, Compton, CA | 2001-2003

##### Courses Taught:

11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> Grade English; AP Literature & Composition

#### TEACH FOR AMERICA CORPS MEMBER

Los Angeles Region | 2001-2003

## **MINISTRY EXPERIENCE**

### **PASTOR**

Ekko Church, Anaheim, CA | September 2018-present

Leadership and ministry development; teaching & preaching; pastoral care

### **ACTING LEAD PASTOR**

Ekko Church, Anaheim, CA | December 2017-August 2018

Presiding over church services; leading staff & pastoral team; strategic organizational leadership and development; equipping & training Leaders, pastoral care; preaching team development; teaching & preaching

### **TEACHING PASTOR**

Ekko Church, Anaheim CA | Fall 2012-December 2017

Strategic organizational leadership and development; pastoral care; preaching team development; teaching & preaching

### **DIRECTOR OF WELCOME MINISTRY**

Praise Presbyterian Church, North Brunswick, NJ | 2009-2011

### **DIRECTOR OF INFANT MINISTRY**

Praise Presbyterian Church, North Brunswick, NJ | 2007-2009

### **PASTOR OF COLLEGE MINISTRY**

Korean Calvary United Methodist Church, East Brunswick, NJ | 2005-2006

### **PASTORAL INTERN OF YOUNG ADULT MINISTRIES**

Korean Calvary United Methodist Church, East Brunswick, NJ | 2004-2005

### **PASTOR OF ELEMENTARY MINISTRY**

Thanksgiving Korean Church, Buena Park, CA | 2001-2003

### **VICE PRESIDENT OF CAMPUS MINISTRY**

Korean Campus Mission, UCLA, Los Angeles, CA | 2000-2001

### **ASSISANT YOUTH PASTOR OF HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY**

Thanksgiving Korean Church, Buena Park, CA | 1999-2001

### **INTENSIVE BIBLE STUDY GROUP LEADER OF CAMPUS MINISTRY**

Korean Campus Mission, UCLA, Los Angeles, CA | 1999-2000

### **TEACHER OF ELEMENTARY MINISTRY**

Thanksgiving Korean Church, Buena Park, CA | 1997-1999

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## **ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

### **STEERING COMMITTEE MEMBER**

Asian and Asian American Hermeneutics Program Unit of the Society of Biblical Literature | January 2018-Present

### **STEERING COMMITTEE MEMBER**

Asian Pacific American Religions Research Initiative (APARRI) | August 2018-Present

### **PARTICIPANT**

Wabash Peer Mentoring Cluster | November 2017-November 2018

## COMMITTEE MEMBER

Committee on the Status of Women in the Profession (CSWP) of the Society of Biblical Literature | January 2014-present

## PLANNING COMMITTEE MEMBER

Asian Pacific American Religions Research Initiative (APARRI) 2018 Conference | January 2018-July 2018

## FELLOW

Joint Asian Theological Summer Institute (ATSI) and Wabash Fellows Teaching and Learning Workshop | March 2014

## TASK FORCE MEMBER

Task Force on Communication and Governance at Princeton Theological Seminary | 2009–2010

## MEMBER

Asian Asian-Pacific American Council at Princeton Theological Seminary | 2005–2006

## MODERATOR

Asian Association at Princeton Theological Seminary | 2004–2005

## MEMBER

Ad Hoc Committee for Racial Reconciliation at Princeton Theological Seminary | 2004–2005

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## PUBLICATIONS

"Myth of the Model Minority." In *Intersecting Realities: Race, Identity, and Culture in the Spiritual-Moral Life of Young Asian Americans*. Edited by Hak Joon Lee. Eugene OR: Cascade, 2018.

"Vocational." In *Intersecting Realities: Race, Identity, and Culture in the Spiritual-Moral Life of Young Asian Americans*. Edited by Hak Joon Lee. Eugene OR: Cascade, 2018.

"Always Ethnic, Never 'American': Reading 1 Peter through the Lens of the 'Perpetual Foreigner' Stereotype." In *T&T Clark Handbook to Asian American Biblical Hermeneutics*. Edited by Seung Ai Yang and Uriah Y. Kim. New York: T&T Clark (in press).

"An Asian American Interpretation of Luke 14:25-33." *Oxford Biblical Studies Online* (OBSO). Edited by Lisa Bowens. Oxford University Press (in review).

"You Have Become Children of Sarah: Reading 1 Peter 3:1-6 through the Intersectional Lens of Asian Immigrant Wives, Honorary Whiteness, and the Oriental Feminine Mystique." In *Minoritized Women Reading Race-Ethnicity: Intersectional Approaches and Early Christian (Con)Texts*. Feminist Studies and Sacred Texts. Edited by Mitzi J. Smith and Jin Young Choi. Lanham, MD: Lexington Books (forthcoming).

Review of *Reading First Peter with New Eyes: Methodological Reassessments of the Letter of First Peter*. Edited by Robert L. Webb and Betsy Bauman-Martin. New York: T&T Clark. *Biblical Interpretation* 17 (2009).

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## PRESENTATIONS

"You Have Become Children of Sarah: Reading 1 Peter 3:1-6 through the Intersectional Lens of Asian Immigrant Wives, Honorary Whiteness, and the Oriental Feminine Mystique." Paper presented at the Society of Biblical Literature Annual Conference, Denver, CO, November 2018.

"Social Activist Hermeneutics." Presider over the Minoritized Criticism and Biblical Interpretation Session at the Society of Biblical Literature Annual Conference, Boston, MA, November 2017.

"Always Ethnic, Never 'American': Reading 1 Peter through the Lens of the 'Perpetual Foreigner' Stereotype." Paper presented at the Society of Biblical Literature Annual Conference, San Antonio, TX, November 2016.

"Migration-Economics, Ecology, Militarization." Presider over the Minoritized Criticism and Biblical Interpretation Session at the Society of Biblical Literature Annual Conference, Atlanta, GA, November 2015.

"Honorary Ethnics: Contesting and Subverting Christian Stigma through the Construction of Ethnic Identity in 1 Peter." Paper presented at the Society of Biblical Literature Annual Conference, San Diego, CA, November 2014.

"Who You are No Longer: Constructing Ethnic Identity in 1 Peter." Paper presented at the Society of Biblical Literature Annual Conference, Baltimore, MD, November 2013.

"Reading Revelation 18." Presider over the Minoritized Criticism and Biblical Interpretation Session at the Society of Biblical Literature Annual Conference, Baltimore, MD, November 2013.

"Anouar Majid's *We Are All Moors: Ending Centuries of Crusades Against Muslims and Other Minorities*." Presider over the Minoritized Criticism and Biblical Interpretation Session at the Society of Biblical Literature Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA, November 2011.

Review of *The Peoples' Bible* (Fortress, 2008) and *The Peoples' Companion to the Bible* (Fortress, 2010). Book review panelist at the Society of Biblical Literature Annual Conference, Atlanta, GA, November 2010.

"Active Perseverance in Romans 5:1-5: Paul's Challenge and Encouragement to the Korean American Church." Paper presented at the Society of Biblical Literature Annual Conference, San Diego, CA, November 2006.

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## **ADDITIONAL PRESENTATIONS, GUEST LECTURES & GUEST SERMONS**

"Interpreting 1 Peter from an Asian American Perspective." Guest Lecture (via Zoom) for Introduction to New Testament Exegesis course at Princeton Theological Seminary, Princeton, NJ, December 3, 2018.

"Flagrant, Fragrant Worship (John 12:1-11)." Sermon preached at Biola University Chapel, La Mirada, CA, October 24, 2018.

"The Place (Luke 22:39-47)." Sermon preached at Azusa Pacific University Chapel, Azusa, CA, September 19, 2018.

"Behold Her Body! Pursuing and Policing Female Sexuality." Panel presentation for the Forum on Women in Ministry, Azusa Pacific Seminary, Azusa, CA, March 22, 2018.

"SheLeads: A Missio Alliance Summit." Panel presentation for the SheLeads Summit, First Church of the Nazarene, Pasadena, CA, October 28, 2017.

"Making Space for Tamar: Sexual Assault Then and Now." Panel presentation for the Forum on Women in Ministry, Azusa Pacific Seminary, Azusa, CA, March 21, 2017.

"SheLeads: Reclaiming the Blessed Alliance for Faithful Mission." Panel presentation for the SheLeads Conference, First Church of the Nazarene, Pasadena, CA, October 29, 2016.

"Stories: Yours and Ours." Panel presentation for the Forum on Women in Ministry, Azusa Pacific Seminary, Azusa, CA, March 23, 2016.

"Reading from a Cultural and Social Location." Guest Lecture for the M.Min. Program Intensive Course at Point Loma Nazarene University's Center for Pastoral Leadership and School of Theology and Christian Ministry, San Diego, CA, October 19, 2015.

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## **AWARDS & FELLOWSHIPS**

Doctoral Merit Tuition Scholarship, Princeton Theological Seminary (2007-2011)

The Fellowship in New Testament, Princeton Theological Seminary (2006)

The Asian American Ministry Award, Princeton Theological Seminary (2006)

Presidential Fellowship, Princeton Theological Seminary (2003-2006)

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## **DENOMINATIONAL AFFILIATION**

Non-Denominational; Wesleyan Tradition

## **LANGUAGES**

Modern: German, French, Korean  
Ancient: Greek, Hebrew, Latin

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## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP**

Society of Biblical Literature | 2004–Present