

ACADEMIC CV

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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Areas of Specialization

- Metaphysics
- Philosophy of Mind
- Consciousness Studies

Areas of Competence

- Ethics/Bioethics
- Aristotle and Plato
- History of Modern Philosophy
- Epistemology
- The Philosophy of Cognitive Neuroscience and Psychology
- The Philosophy of physics/Quantum Physics
- Philosophy of Language and Philosophical Logic
- Philosophy of Religion and Philosophical Theology
- Theology and Philosophy of Science
- Science and Religion

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

- **Ph.D., in Philosophy**, Durham University, UK.
 - Supervised by Professor E.J. Lowe and Professor Sophie Gibb- Thesis title: *In Defence of the Importance of Substance Ontology for Personal Identity and the Self/Person.*
- **MA in Science and Religion** with the Highest Honors, Biola University, CA.
- **MA in Philosophy** with High Honors, Biola University.
- **BTh** with distinction, Evangelical Theological College (ETC), Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.
- **Postdoctoral Research Fellow**- Durham University, UK.
 - Research focus: the nature of phenomenal consciousness from the standpoint of metaphysics, philosophy of mind, neuroscience, and quantum theory. Emergence Project (funded by the John Templeton Foundation).
- **Course work in philosophy** (Pre-Socratic to Aristotle, Language, and Logic) - Addis Ababa University, Ethiopia.

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Professional Academic Certificates

- [Cambridge University](#): Certificate in Learning and Memory in the Brain: A Guide for Teachers (June 26, 2023).
- [Harvard University](#): Certificate in Fundamentals of Neuroscience, Part 1: The Electrical Properties of the Neuron (September 8, 2023).
- [Harvard University](#): Certificate in Fundamentals of Neuroscience, Part 2: Neurons and Networks (Jan. 2024).
- [Harvard University](#): Certificate in Fundamentals of Neuroscience, Part 3: The Brain (in progress).

Academic Summer Schools (merit-based)

- [Rutgers University, NJ](#): God and Spacetime (philosophy of physics) Summer Seminar (June 13-14, 2022).
- [Rivendell Institute at Yale University](#): Theology and Philosophy Summer Seminar (June 2-15, 2013).
- [Bamberg University, Germany](#): Metaphysics, International Philosophy Summer School, (August 6-17, 2012). **Professors:** Saul Kripke, Barry Stroud, Richard King, and Jorge Gracia. Completed over 40 hours of official seminar time in total.

Professional Training Completion Certificates

- [Biola University](#): Certificate in Data Security and Privacy (May 18, 2020).
- [Biola University](#): Certificate in Harassment and Discrimination Prevention (Nov. 1, 2019).
- [Azusa Pacific University](#): Certificate of Completion for Summer Writing Intensive (May 17-18, 2017).
- [Biola University](#): Faculty Professional Development Training-Teaching Online, Blended/Hybrid, and Flipped Classes (February 18 and 25, 2016).
- [Durham University, UK](#): Certificate of Completion for the induction of postgraduates engaged in teaching and *supporting learning* (2011-12).
- *Social Sciences and Humanities* (Intensive 48-hour class training) took place at Seattle Pacific University (July 10-19, 2009).
- [Institute for Excellence in Christian Leadership Development](#), Cape Town, South Africa. Hosted by Overseas Council International (March 11-16, 2004).
- [Certification in Ju-Jitsu](#) (Martial Arts), Arcadia, CA, November 2009.
- [Elias Martial Art Centre](#): Green Belt Certificate: Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. March 2006.
- [The Toyota Ethiopian Great Run](#) (2003, 2004, 2005, 2006: Four Medals), Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

HONORS AND AWARDS

- [Oakland University and Michigan University](#): The Conscious Person Symposium Grant, \$ 500.00 (July 2023).
- [Rutgers University](#): God and Spacetime Summer School Grant, \$ 2, 473.60. Other expenses including flight ticket and hotel were also fully covered. The program was funded by the John Templeton Foundation. (June 2022).
- [Trinity International University](#): Associate Fellow at the Centre for Bioethics & Human Dignity's Academy of Fellows (since Dec. 16, 2021).
- [Durham University](#): Certificate in Recognition of Outstanding Academic Record in philosophy, Faculty of Arts and Humanities (October 21, 2013).
- [Biola University](#): Elected in Membership in Kappa Tau Epsilon, the Talbot School of Theology Scholastic Honors Society (May 2009).

- [Durham University](#): Fully funded Postdoctoral Research Fellowship- Emergence Project (funded by the John Templeton Foundation) **£ 42, 000** (2014-2015).
- [Durham University](#): Prestigious Doctoral Studentship Award, UK 100% tuition and stipend. Over **£ 49,000** (2011-2014).
- [Durham University](#): Academic Conference Grants: over **£ 7000.00** (**Donors:** The John Templeton Foundation, the Institute for Advanced Study at Durham University, Ustinov College at Durham University, Faculty of Arts and Humanities Postgraduate Training Grants at Durham University, Newcastle University School of Education, Communication and Language Sciences, the Mind Association, and the Analysis Trust (2014).
- [Biola University](#): Academic Scholarships: **\$ 39, 971.00** (2006-2010).
- **Summer stipend** for an Intensive Summer Seminar on Social Sciences and Humanities which took place at Seattle Pacific University: **\$ 5000** (2009).
- [Evangelical Theological College](#): Recognized for Academic Excellence, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia (June 1998).

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

- [Addis Ababa University](#), Ethiopia: Assistant Professor of Philosophy- Department of Philosophy (position held, August 2019-Dec. 2022).
- [Biola University](#), CA: Adjunct Professor of Philosophy- Talbot Department of Philosophy. Graduate level (Fall 2022-present).
- [Biola University](#), CA: Adjunct Professor of Philosophy- Department of Science and Religion. Graduate-level (Spring, 2016-present).
- [Biola University](#), CA: Adjunct Professor of Philosophy - Department of Philosophy. Undergraduate level (Fall, 2018-Dec. 2020).
- [Azusa Pacific University](#), CA: Adjunct Professor of Philosophy. Department of Philosophy. Undergraduate level (Spring 2016-present).
- [Azusa Pacific University](#), CA: Adjunct Professor of the Great Books- Honors College (2020-present).
- [Azusa Pacific University](#), CA. Adjunct Professor of Bioethics- MS Biotechnology Department- College of Classical Liberal Arts and Sciences (since 2020).
- [Reasons Institute](#), **CA**: Online Instructor of World Religions and Science. Graduate-level (2011–2018).
- [Durham University](#), UK: Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Department of Philosophy (2014-2015).
- [Durham University](#), UK: Academic Tutor for Undergraduate Philosophy Program (October 2011– May 2014).
- [Biola University](#): Adjunct Faculty in the School of Professional Studies (January 2011 – May 2011).
- [Biola University](#): Teaching Assistant for Professor John Bloom (2010).
- [Biola University](#): Intern Coordinator for Undergraduate Students Campus Apologia Ministry (2008 – 2010).
- [Evangelical Theological College](#), Addis Ababa, Ethiopia (ETC): Assistant to the Academic Dean, Field

Education Director, and Lecturer (August 2002–June 2006). Medium of instruction: English.

- **Visiting Lecturer** in Theological Schools, Ethiopia. Medium of instruction: English (August 1999 – August 2004).

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

GRADUATE-LEVEL PHILOSOPHY COURSES TAUGHT/TEACHING:

- Metaphysics I Biola University.
- Epistemology I Biola University.
- Philosophy of Mind Biola University
- Ethics Biomed Products Ind. Azusa Pacific University.
- Philosophy of Science and Technology Addis Ababa University.
- Philosophy of Physics Biola University.
- Metaphysics and Epistemology Biola University.
- The Philosophy of Neuroscience Biola University.
- Theology and the Philosophy of Science: Biola University.
- World Religions and Science: Biola University.
- Anxiety and Perception (Supervised study). Biola University.
- Self-Knowledge and Phenomenology (supervised study). Biola University.
- Thomas Aquinas on God (Supervised study). Biola University.
- Introduction to Logic Reasons Institute.
- The Metaphysics of the Person of Christ EGST, Ethiopia.

GRADUATE-LEVEL PHILOSOPHY COURSES I DEVELOPED:

- The Philosophy of Neuroscience Biola University.
- The Philosophy of Physics Biola University.
- The Philosophy of Artificial Intelligence Biola University.
- The Philosophy of Transhumanism Biola University.

UNDERGRADUATE LEVEL PHILOSOPHY COURSES TAUGHT:

- Introduction to Ethics Biola University.
- Introduction to Philosophy Biola and Azusa Pacific University.
- Philosophy of Religion APU and Durham University, UK.
- The Philosophical Writings of C.S. Lewis Azusa Pacific University.
- Knowledge and Reality Durham University, UK.
- Philosophy of Mind Durham University, UK.
- Introduction to Philosophy, Theology, and Logic Evangelical Theological C., Ethiopia.
- Intro to Philosophical, Applied, and Biblical Ethics Evangelical Theological C., Ethiopia.

UNDERGRADUATE LEVEL THEOLOGY COURSES (in English all in Ethiopia):

- Counselling and Psychology
- Survey of Bible Doctrine
- Introduction to Hermeneutics
- Introduction to Homiletics
- Theology Proper
- Philosophical Apologetics

- Christian Education
- The Book of Psalms.
- Wisdom Literature
- Old Testament
- Study Techniques

ONLINE INSTRUCTOR OF RECORD- Graduate level Modern Science Courses (Biola University):

- The Origin of Life
- Human Origins
- Scientific Apologetics
- Modern Physics, Cosmology, and Design

INVITED ACADEMIC LECTURESHIPS:

- **Trinity International University:** A Plenary Lecture on Idolatry and Technology- at the Centre for Bioethics and Human Dignity's 2024 Conference (June 20-22, 2024). Forthcoming.
- **Biola University:** "A Bearer Dependent Model of Consciousness." Neurbiology Guest Lecture. Department of Biological Sciences (Mar. 14, 2024).
- **University of Tampa, FL:** A Bearer Dependent Model of Consciousness (Feb. 20, 2024).
- **Reasons to Believe Annual Workshop:** Human Exceptionalism: Where Metaphysics and Science Intersect (June 9-10, 2023). www.reasons.org
- **Certificate Program, Apologetics Kenya:** Introduction to Logic and Critical Thinking. Lectured online for <https://apologeticskenya.org/certificate/>(May 5 and 12, 2022).
- **The Royal Institute of Philosophy:** What is the Notion of Identity? <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F17vDzzvW3Y>
- **Talbot School of Theology, Department of Philosophy, Biola University.**
 - Seminar: Advanced Studies in Philosophy of Mind Substance Dualism: Issues and Alternatives TTPH 735 01 (**Prof. JP Moreland's class**). **Sep. 20, 22, and Nov. 8, 2021.**
 - **Topics:** A Thomistic-like Substance Dualism, Cartesian Substance Dualism and Against Emergent Individuals II.
- **Biola University: Torrey Honors Institute,** Torrey session- Aristotle's De Anima. 3-hour session (Feb.2, 2017).
- **Durham University, UK: Co-Lecturer,** Philosophy of Religion Module with Dr. Simon James, and Dr. Ian Kidd (January – May 2015).
- **Ethiopian Graduate School of Theology (EGST),** Addis Ababa Ethiopia: Summer Visiting Lecturer in Philosophical Theology (July 8-26, 2013).
- **The Evangelical Theological College (ETC),** Addis Ababa, Ethiopia: Summer Visiting Lecturer in Philosophy (July 8-26, 2013).
- **The Evangelical Theological College,** Addis Ababa, Ethiopia: Summer Visiting Lecturer in Ethics (July 26-August 7, 2010).

- The Evangelical Theological College, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia: Summer Visiting Lecturer in Philosophy (June 23-July 19, 2008).

PUBLICATIONS

• BOOKS

- [The Metaphysics of Substance and Personhood: A Non-Theory Laden Approach](#) (draft done).
- [Bracketed Issue: A Case for Metaphysical Foundation for Bioethics](#) (with Scott Rae)- In progress.
- [Idolatry and Technology](#) (with Anna Vollema). In progress.
- [BOOKS IN AMHARIC](#) (Ethiopian National Language):
 - [God's Question and Other Essays](#). Addis Ababa: SIM Press (2018).
 - [Faith and Reason](#). Paperback, SIM Press, Addis Ababa(2016).
 - [General Analysis on the Reading Habit of Ethiopian Evangelical Christians](#). Addis Ababa: SIM,Ethiopia (2007).
 - [Faith and Reason](#). Rehoboth Press, Addis Ababa (2006).
 - [Is There Any Answer? \(Philosophical Apologetics\)](#) Addis Ababa: SIM (2000). Secondedition in 2003, 2004, 2006, and 2013.

• EDITED VOLUMES

- Mihretu P. Guta and Eric LaRock. [E. J. Lowe's Metaphysics and Philosophical Theology](#). [Routledge](#). (Forthcoming).
- Eric LaRock and Mihretu P. Guta. [Consciousness, Unconsciousness and Artificial Intelligence](#). ([Wiley Blackwell](#)). (Forthcoming).
- Mihretu P. Guta and Scott Rae, eds. [Taking Persons Seriously: Where Philosophy and Bioethics Intersect](#). [Pickwick Publications](#). (Forthcoming).
- Mihretu P. Guta and Sophie Gibb, eds. (2021). [Selfhood, Autism, and Thought Insertion](#). [Imprint Academic](#), UK.
- Mihretu P. Guta, ed. (2019). [Consciousness and the Ontology of Properties](#). ([Routledge](#)).
- Mihretu P. Guta and Louise Ko Huang. [Human Flourishing in the Age of AI](#). (In progress).

• JOURNAL SPECIAL ISSUES

- Mihretu P. Guta and Eric LaRock, eds. Special Issue. "[E. J. Lowe's Metaphysics and Analytic Theology](#)"- *TheoLogica: An International Journal for Philosophy of Religion and Philosophical Theology* (2021).
- Mihretu P. Guta and Sophie Gibb, eds., (2015). "[Insights into the First-Person Perspective and the Self: An Interdisciplinary Approach](#)." *A Special Issue for the Journal of Consciousness Studies*, 22 (11-12), Imprint Academic, UK.

• PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES and CHAPTERS in EDITED VOLUMES

1. Mihretu P. Guta. **(Forthcoming)**. “The Question of the Metaphysical Status of the Human Fetus and Abortion.” Special Issue on *Abortion Post Dobbs*, Faith and Flourishing: A Journal of Karam Fellowship.
2. Mihretu P. Guta. **(Forthcoming)**. “The Causal Pairing Problem and Divine Presence: The Lowe-Zimmermann Model.” In Mihretu P. Guta and Eric LaRock. *E. J. Lowes’ Metaphysics and Philosophical Theology*. Routledge.
3. Mihretu P. Guta. **(Forthcoming)**. “E. J. Lowe’s Conception of Metaphysics.” In Mihretu P. Guta and Eric LaRock. *E. J. Lowes’ Metaphysics and Philosophical Theology*. Routledge.
4. Mihretu P. Guta. **(Forthcoming)**. A Review Article on the *Substance of Consciousness: A Comprehensive Defense of Contemporary Substance Dualism* by Brandon Rickabaugh and J P Moreland. Wiley, Blackwell, 2024. *Philosophia Christi Journal*.
5. Mihretu P. Guta. **(Forthcoming)**. “Does Personhood Come in Degrees?” In Mihretu P. Guta and Scott Rae, eds. *Taking Persons Seriously: Where Philosophy and Bioethics Intersect*. Oregon: Pickwick Publications.
6. Mihretu P. Guta and Scott Rae. **(Forthcoming)**. “Introduction” In Mihretu P. Guta and Scott Rae, eds. *Taking Persons Seriously: Where Philosophy and Bioethics Intersect*. Oregon: Pickwick Publications.
7. Mihretu P. Guta. **(Forthcoming)**. “Quantum Physics, Free Will and Determinism.” In Tim Stratton and Tyson James, eds. *Libertarian Freedom and Arguments from Reason*.
8. Mihretu P. Guta. **(2024)**. Do all Religions Lead to the Same God? In *Apologetics in Africa*, edited by Kevin Muriithi. Langham Publishing, UK.
9. Mihretu P. Guta. **(2024)**. “The Soul, Mental Action, and the Conservation Laws”. In Brandon Rickabaugh and J P Moreland. *The Substance of Consciousness: A Comprehensive Defense of Contemporary Substance Dualism*. Wiley, Blackwell. Pp. 344-360.
10. Mihretu P. Guta. **(2023)**. In What Sense is Consciousness a Property? In Angus J. Menuge, Brian R. Krouse, and Robert J. Marks, eds., *Minding the Brain Models of the Mind, Information, and Empirical Science*. Discovery Institute Press Academic. Pp. 1-29
https://www.discovery.org/m/securepdfs/2023/09/MindingTheBrain_DI_FINAL_Ch1_1.pdf
11. Mihretu P. Guta. **(2023)**. Mirror Neurons, Consciousness, and the Bearer Question. In Angus J. Menuge, Brian R. Krouse, and Robert J. Marks, eds., *Minding the Brain Models of the Mind, Information, and Empirical Science*. Discovery Institute Press Academic. Ch. 10.
12. Mihretu P. Guta. **(2021)**. Metaphysics, Natural Science and Theological Claims: E. J. Lowe’s Approach. *TheoLogica: International Journal for Philosophy of Religion and Philosophical Theology*, 5(2). (Online First).
13. Matthew Owen and Mihretu P. Guta **(2019)**. The Sufficiency of Neural Mechanisms of Consciousness. *Frontiers in Systems Neuroscience*, Vol. 13 (24): 1-14.
14. Mihretu P. Guta. **(2019)**. The Non-Causal Account of the Spontaneous Emergence of the Phenomenal Consciousness. PP. 126-151. In Mihretu P. Guta, ed., *Consciousness and the Ontology of Properties* (Routledge).

15. Mihretu P. Guta. (2019). Editorial Introduction. PP. 1-12. In Mihretu P. Guta, ed., *Consciousness and the Ontology of Properties* (Routledge).
16. Mihretu P. Guta (2019). The Two Natures of the Incarnate Christ and the Bearer Question. *TheoLogica: International Journal for Philosophy of Religion and Philosophical Theology*, 2(3): 113-143.
17. Mihretu P. Guta (2016). Objects, Dispositions, and Lockean Person-Making Properties. The Boston Issue, *Appraisal the Journal of British Personalist Forum*, Vol. 11 (1):4-11.
18. Mihretu P. Guta (2015). Consciousness, First-Person Perspective, and Neuroimaging. Special Issue, First-Person-Perspective and the Self, *Journal of Consciousness Studies*, 22 (11-12):218-245.
19. Mihretu P. Guta (2015). Editorial Introduction. Special Issue edited by Mihretu P. Guta and Sophie Gibb, *the Journal of Consciousness Studies*, 22 (11-12):8-19.
20. Mihretu P. Guta (2013). John Locke’s Contemporaries’ Reaction against the Theory of Substratum. In *Metaphysics and Modernity*. Simon Baumgartner, Thimo Heisenberg and Sebastian Krebs, eds. Bamberg: Bamberg University Press, 9-28.
21. Mihretu P. Guta (2011). Frank Jackson’s Location Problem and Argument from the Self. *Philosophia Christi Journal*, 13 (1): 35-58.

• BOOK REVIEWS

- Mihretu P. Guta (in progress). Review of ‘Identifying Future-Proof Science’ by Peter Vickers. Oxford: oxford University Press. *Philosophical Quarterly*.
- Mihretu P. Guta (2018). Review of ‘The Problem of Universals in Contemporary Philosophy’, by Gabriele Galluzzo and Michael J. Loux (Eds.). Cambridge University Press. *Philosophical Quarterly* 68 (271): 417–419.
- Mihretu P. Guta (2014). Review of ‘Personal Identity: Complex or Simple?’, by Georg Gasser and Matthias Stefan (eds.). Cambridge University Press. *Analysis* 74 (2):356-357.
- Mihretu P. Guta (2014). Review of ‘Wise Stewards: Philosophical Foundations of Christian Parenting’, by Michael W. Austin. Kregel Academic & Professional. *Philosophia Christi* 16 (1): 227-230.

• ENCYCLOPEDIA CONTRIBUTIONS

- Mihretu P. Guta. (2018). “Zoroastrianism and Christianity” in George Thomas Kurian, eds., *The Encyclopedia of Christianity in the Global South* (Rowman & Littlefield Publishers). PP. 879-881.
- Mihretu P. Guta. (2018). “Jehovah’s Witnesses” in George Thomas Kurian, eds., *The Encyclopedia of Christianity in the Global South* (Rowman & Littlefield Publishers). PP.415-417

• INVITED ELECTRONIC PUBLICATIONS, INTERVIEWS/PODCAST/PANEL DISCUSSIONS

- Mihretu Guta. “How the Church Should Respond to the Ethical Dangers of AI.” *The Stetzer Church Leaders Podcast*. <https://churchleaders.com/podcast/456...> (Aug 9, 2023).
- Mihretu P. Guta, et al. “Human Exceptionalism: An Expert Panel on AI and Transhumanism”. *Reasons to Believe*. (Aug. 10, 2023). <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=71W1Mobw-6s>

- Mihretu P. Guta, et al. “Human Exceptionalism: An Expert Panel on the Mind-Brain Problem.” *Reasons to Believe* (July 29, 2023).
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2YbXoWPwQWg>
- Mihretu P. Guta, et al. Human Flourishing in the Age of AI – Azusa Pacific University. June 15, 2023. Panel discussion.
- Mihretu P. Guta, et al. “Does Scientific Progress Undermine Belief in God.” *Lanier Theological Library* (May 23, 2023).
https://www.youtube.com/watch?app=desktop&v=Jw_YAmUsk1E
- Mihretu P. Guta. “Some Reflections on ChatGPT AI Technology.” *Biola Apologetics* (May 8, 2023). <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8eizO50vXOI>
- Mihretu P. Guta, et al. “CRIS - What is Human? - An Exposition on Imago Dei.” *Azusa Pacific University – Lectures*. Jan. 26, 2022.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WGqBImzEAVU>
- Mihretu Guta. “Has Neuroscience Disproven the Soul?” Interviewed by Ryan Pauly (2020).
<https://coffeehousequestions.com/>. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s-DJz-6YC5Y>.
- Mihretu P. Guta. “Does the Brain Think? Interviewed by *Maranatha Chapel*. (Feb 6, 2020).
<https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=545454629647770>
- Mihretu P. Guta- Podcast: Artificial Intelligence and Our View of Human Persons (2019). *Think Biblically. Conversations on Faith and Culture*. Hosts Scott Rae and Sean Sean McDowell. Biola University.
<https://www.biola.edu/blogs/think-biblically/2019/artificial-intelligence-and-our-view-of-human-persons>
- Mihretu P. Guta- **Course Author (2019)**. *The Nature and Limits of Science*. Eight Lessons. Biola Learn Program. <https://www.biola.edu/learn/courses/37>

• SHORT RESPONSE ARTICLES, ACADEMIC ABSTRACTS, AND OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- Mihretu P. Guta (2020). Artificial Intelligence and Metaphysical Limitations with Implications for the Nature of the Self and the Phenomenal Consciousness. *Book of Abstracts, 27th, International Interdisciplinary Conference of the Science of Consciousness*. University of Arizona, Tucson. P. 45.
- Mihretu P. Guta (2019). Intellectual Conversion. *Biola University Magazine*. Fall Issue.
- Mihretu P. Guta (2018). Properties and Consciousness. *Book of Abstracts, 25th, International Interdisciplinary Conference of the Science of Consciousness*. University of Arizona, Tucson. P. 37.
- Mihretu P. Guta (2016). The Metaphysics of Substance and Selfhood/Personhood: A Non-Theory Laden Approach. *Book of Abstracts, 22nd International Interdisciplinary Conference of the Science of Consciousness*. University of Arizona, Tucson. P. 96.
- Mihretu P. Guta (2015). The Non-Causal Account of the Spontaneous Emergence of Phenomenal Consciousness. *Book of Abstracts, 21st International Interdisciplinary Conference of the Science of Consciousness*. University of Helsinki, Finland. PP. 224-225.
- Mihretu P. Guta (2014). Obituary for Professor E.J. Lowe. *Teorema International Journal of Philosophy* XXXIII (1): 159-162.

- Mihretu P. Guta (2011). Neuroscience or Neuroscientism? A Response to Paul Moes’s article, *Minding Emotions: The Embodied Nature of Emotional Self-Regulation, "Biology of Spirituality"* and to D. Gareth Jones’s, article, *Peering into People's Brains: Neuroscience's Intrusion into Our Inner Sanctum*. *Journal of the American Scientific Affiliation*, 63:1,69-70.
- Mihretu P. Guta (2010). How Far Can Science Take US? A Response to Craig M. Story’s article, *The God of Christianity and the G.O.D. of Immunology: Chance, Complexity, and God’s Action in Nature*. *Journal of the American Scientific Affiliation*, 62:2, 143-144.
- **ARTICLES ON PHILOSOPHY** (in Amharic)
 - Mihretu, P. Guta (2015). What is Knowledge? *Birhan Magazine*, No. 65.
 - Mihretu, P. Guta (2014). God and Atheism, Part Two, *Birhan Magazine*, No.64.
 - Mihretu, P. Guta (2013). God and Atheism, Part One *Birhan Magazine*, No.63.
 - Mihretu, P. Guta (2012). Misuse of Quantum Mechanics, *Birhan Magazine*, No.62.
 - Mihretu, P. Guta (2011). Misplaced Satisfaction, Consumerism, and Its Pitfalls, *Birhan Magazine*, No. 61.
 - Mihretu, P. Guta (2010). Jesus in the Gospels, *Birhan Magazine*, No. 61.
 - Mihretu, P. Guta (2009). The Existential Problem of Evil, *Birhan Magazine*, No.60.
 - Mihretu, P. Guta (2009). Response to Critics, *Birhan Magazine*, No. 60.
 - Mihretu, P. Guta (2008). Why Do We Need Philosophy? *Birhan Magazine*, No. 59.

- **WORKS IN PROGRESS**

- “Epistemic Tribalism and Epistemic Peer-Disagreements.”
- “Mental Causation Debates Revisited”.
- “Why Qualia is Here to Stay: Peter Carruthers’s Questionable Proposal”.
- “Neuroscience and Philosophy with Implications for Personal Identity”.
- “David Hume on Substance, Personal Identity, and the Self”.
- “Artificial Intelligence and Metaphysical Limitations with Implications for the Nature of the Self and the Phenomenal Consciousness”.

ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS/SPECIAL LECTURES

2024:

97. A Plenary Lecture on Idolatry and Technology- at the Centre for Bioethics and Human Dignity’s 2024 Conference (June 20-22, 2024). **Trinity International University. (Forthcoming)**.
96. Kim’s Pairing Problem and the Role of Consciousness- *The Science of Consciousness International Interdisciplinary Conference-* **University of Arizona**, Tucson. April 26.
95. A Bearer Dependent Model of Consciousness- **University of Tampa**, FL. Feb. 20.

2023:

94. Kim’s Causal Pairing Problem. *The International Society for the Philosophy of the Sciences of the Mind*. Nov. 25. Online Conference.
93. Human Personhood and Jesus’s Encounter with the Sadducees: A Test Case for Dualism (with Steven M. Bryan). *The Evangelical Theological Society*. San Antonio, TX. Nov. 16.
92. The Christian and Artificial Intelligence. Biola University Apologetics Conference. **Yorba Linda Friends Church**, CA. Oct. 7.

91. Does the Brain Think? *The Conscious Person Symposium*. **Oakland University and University of Michigan**. July 20-21.
90. Human Exceptionalism: Where Metaphysics and Science Intersect. *Annual Workshop Reasons to Believe*, CA. June 9.
89. The Puzzling Nature of Thoughts in Gender Identity. Anticipatory Bioethics Academy of Fellows 2023 Consultation, *Centre for Bioethics and Human Dignity Centre*, **Trinity International University**. Feb. 10.
88. Why Truth Matters in Scientific Pursuits. The Christian Scientific Society Conference, **Biola University**. <https://www.christianscientific.org>

2022:

87. The n + 1 Model: Artificial Intelligence and Metaphysical Limitations. Society of Bias in AI, Computer Science Department-**Durham University**, UK. Oct. 25.
86. Does the Brain Think? Evangelical Philosophical Society- Apologetics Conference, Denver Colorado. <https://www.biola.edu/eps-apologetics-conference-2022>. Nov. 19. **Biola University**.
85. The Non-Theory Laden Approach: The Metaphysics of Selfhood/Personhood. Talbot Philosophical Society, **Biola University**. Nov. 11.
84. In Defence of a Hybrid View of God's Relation to Time. 2022 Summer Seminar: God and the Spacetime Manifold. **Rutgers University**. June 23.
84. The Reality and the Challenge of Artificial Intelligence. Advanced Lectures in Residence 2022. **Biola University**. June 9.

2021:

83. Artificial Intelligence and Metaphysical Limitations with Implications for the Nature of the Self and the Phenomenal Consciousness. Virtual Annual Meeting. **American Scientific Affiliation**. July 31.
82. A Defense of Monogenesis: Baldwin's Reflections on Racial Inequality and Theological Implications. Midwest Conference on Christianity and Literature. Gathering: Christianity, Race, and Justice. **Wheaton College**. June 23.
81. The Missing Element in Bio-Ethical Discussions. Bioethics & the Body CBHD's 28th Annual Summer Conference. **Trinity International University**. Deerfield, Illinois. June 26.
80. The Philosophy of Physics. **Weekend Seminar**. **Biola University**. March 19-20.

2020:

79. Artificial Intelligence and Metaphysical Limitations with Implications for the Nature of the Self and the Phenomenal Consciousness. The Science of Consciousness International Interdisciplinary Conference- **University of Arizona, Tucson**. (September 16).

2019:

78. Consciousness and Properties. **Mind and Brain Conference**, Seattle Washington. Nov. 15-17.
77. Mirror Neurons, Consciousness and Properties. **Mind and Brain Conference**, Seattle Washington. Nov. 15-17.
76. Does the Brain Think? Evangelical Philosophical Society- **16th Annual Apologetics Conference**. San Diego. Nov. 22.
75. Artificial Intelligence and Consciousness: Do Androids Dream of Electric Sheep? The A.I. Revolution

- and What it Means to be Human. A panel discussion was organized by the Wise Owls Philosophy Club. **Citrus College, CA**. May 2.
74. Where Does Consciousness Come From, Really? Department of Philosophy. **Azusa Pacific University**. April 2.
73. The Philosophy of Neuroscience. Weekend Seminar. **Biola University**. April 5-6.
72. Does the Brain Think? Science and Religion Department Special Summer Residency Lecture- **Biola University**. June 13.
71. Artificial Intelligence and Metaphysical Limitations- Theology and Science Conference- Tyndale Fellowship, Wolfson College, **Cambridge University**. June 24-26.
70. Social Contract-What are Government's Responsibilities to Society? The Political Science Students Association round-table discussion, **Citrus College, CA**. March 7.

2018:

69. Does the Brain Think? Evangelical Philosophical Society- **15th Annual Apologetics Conference**. Denver Colorado. November 15-17.
68. The Controversies over the Metaphysics of the Soul. Live Facebook Lecture. **Apologetics Department, Biola University** (over 16,000 views). March 2.
67. Neuroscience and Philosophy with Implications for Personal Identity. **Wesleyan Philosophical Society**. Cleveland TN. March 8.
66. Properties and Consciousness. The Science of Consciousness International Interdisciplinary Conference- **University of Arizona**, Tucson, April 7.
65. How the concept of personhood impacts public policy, abortion, euthanasia, and immigration. Participated in the Political Science Students Association round-table discussion, **Citrus College**, Glendora, CA. May 2018.
64. Bracketed Issue: A Case for Metaphysical Foundation for Bioethics. The Centre for Bioethics & annual Summer Conference- **Trinity International University** (Chicago), June 23. With Professor Scott Rae.

2017:

63. The Problem of the Bearer Question: The Divorce between Consciousness and the Self/Person. The 2nd Triennial Dominican Colloquium on, "Person, Soul, and Consciousness: Philosophical and Theological Perspectives," July 12-15, at the Western Dominican Province's House of Studies, St. Albert's Priory in Oakland, California. **Dominican School of Philosophy and Theology** at Berkeley.
62. The Two Natures of Christ and the Bearer Question: What Happened at Incarnation? Society of Christian Philosophers, Pacific Conference, **Biola University**. March 31.
61. Aristotle's De Anima. Torrey Honors Institute, **Biola University**. February 2.

2016:

60. The Philosophy of Neuroscience Special Topics: Self/Person and Split-Brain Cases, the Problem of Consciousness, Neuroimaging, Causation, and Correlation. Public lecture organized by the School of Arts and Science, Department of Apologetics, **Biola University**. October 21-22.
59. Mirror Neurons, Empathy, Intersubjectivity and the Second-Person Perspective with Implications for the Problem of Consciousness. 75th Anniversary of the American Scientific Affiliation Conference on Brain-Mind—Faith?. **Azusa Pacific University**, CA. July 22-25.
58. The Metaphysics of Substance and Selfhood/Personhood: A Non-Theory Laden Approach. The Science of Consciousness, International Interdisciplinary Conference, **University of Arizona, Tucson**. April 29.

2015:

57. Objects, Dispositions and Lockean Person-Making Properties. International Conference on Persons, **Boston University, MA**. August 6.
56. Consciousness, First-Person Perspective, and Neuroimaging. Interdisciplinary Annual Ustinov College Conference, **Durham University, UK**. July 10-11.
55. Consciousness, First-Person Perspective, and Neuroimaging. Cognitive Science Lecture Series,

University of Vienna, Austria. June 24.

54. The Non-Causal Account of the Spontaneous Emergence of the Phenomenal Consciousness. Toward a Science of Consciousness 21st International Interdisciplinary Conference, **University of Helsinki, Finland.** June 10.
53. Consciousness, First-Person Perspective, and Neuroimaging. The Metaphysics of Consciousness Workshop funded by **Durham University** Emergence Project and The John Templeton Foundation. March 26.
52. Consciousness, Emergence, and Spontaneity. Talbot Philosophical Society, **Biola University, CA.** March 3.
51. Consciousness, Emergence, and Spontaneity. Durham Emergence Project Seminar, **Durham University.** January 27.

2014:

50. Personal Identity, Generic Identity, and Logical Identity. Ustinov College Postgraduate Students Research Seminar, **Durham University.** October 18.
49. The Problem of the Origin of Phenomenal Consciousness: What is it? Eidos Postgraduate Philosophical Society, **Durham University.** March 11.
48. Is Consciousness a Brain Process? Hill College East Postgraduate Research Forum, **Durham University.** March 1.

2013:

47. Fetus, Personhood, and the Current Debate on Abortion. Ustinov College Graduate and Postgraduate Students Bible Study Fellowship, **Durham University.** May 14.
46. Lectured on Philosophical Theology (issues on the metaphysics of the personhood of Christ). **The Ethiopian Graduate School of Theology,** Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. July 8-26.
45. Lectured on Philosophy, Logic, and Theology. **The Evangelical Theological College,** Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. July 8-26.
44. Michael Tooley's and Peter Singer's view of Personhood. **The Ethiopian Graduate School of Theology,** Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. July 26.
43. Critical Commentary on Shemelis Yifru's book on Faith and Reason. The Ethiopian Readers' Association was held at the **Ethiopian Graduate School of Theology,** Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. July 14.

2012:

42. Making Sense of the Identity of the Self. The 15th Annual Postgraduate Philosophy Conference jointly organized by the **University of Bergen in Norway and the University of Durham in the UK.** September 15.
41. Michael Tooley and Peter Singer on Personhood. Eidos Postgraduate Philosophical Society, **Durham University.** November 27.
40. The Metaphysical Limitations of Neuroscience in Establishing Personhood. Eidos Postgraduate Philosophical Society, **Durham University.** May 17.
39. Bridging Aristotle's View of Substance in the Categories and in the Metaphysics. Eidos Postgraduate Philosophical Society, **Durham University.** June 14.
38. Does Philosophical Naturalism Make Belief in God Unreasonable? Undergraduate Philosophical Society, **Durham University,** UK. February 6.

2011:

37. Should We Believe in the Human Soul in the Age of Neuroscience? Talbot Philosophical Society, **Biola University.** March 8.

2010:

36. Is the Genesis 1 Creation Account Compatible with the Big Bang Theory? Apologia Ministry, **Biola University**. Dr. Clay Jones, Professor of Apologetics participated in the Q & A session. October 11.
35. Should We Believe in the Human Soul in the Age of Neuroscience? Apologia Ministry, **Biola University**. November 3.
34. A Libertarian Account of Control over Agents' Free Action. **The Evangelical Theological College, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia**. August 6.
33. Lectured on Biblical and Philosophical Ethics. **The Evangelical Theological College, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia**. July 26-August 7.
32. What Makes Us Human: soul, spirit, brain? Apologia Ministry, **Biola University**. Dr. Clay Jones, Professor of Apologetics participated in the Q & A session. April 20.
31. Are Science and Christian Faith Compatible? Apologia Ministry, **Biola University**. March 10.
30. Is Creation the Result of a Natural Process Used by God? Apologia Ministry, **Biola University**. Dr. Clay Jones, Professor of Apologetics participated in the Q & A session. February 23.

2009:

29. Do Good People Go to Hell? Apologia Ministry, **Biola University**. December 8.
28. Is Hell Fair? Apologia Ministry, **Biola University**. November 5.
27. Does God Know the Details of the Future? The Problem of Open Theism: Human Freedom and Divine Risk-Taking Model. Apologia Ministry, **Biola University**. Dr. Clay Jones, Professor of Apologetics participated in the Q & A session. October 19.
26. Can Morality be Legislated? Apologia Ministry, **Biola University**. Dr. Clay Jones, Professor of Apologetics at Biola University participated in the Q & A session, **Biola University**. April 20.
25. Is Christianity Intolerant or Judgmental? Apologia Ministry, **Biola University**. Co-presented with Dr. Clay Jones, Professor of Apologetics. March 30.
24. The Birth of Octuplets and Its Social Implications. Apologia Ministry, **Biola University**. February 18.

2008:

23. In Defense of Creation Ex Nihilo. **The Ethiopian Graduate School of Theology, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia**. July 8.
22. Natural Evil and the Existence of God. **The Ethiopian Graduate School of Theology, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia**. July 7.
21. Divine Sovereignty and Omniscience in Open Theism. **The Evangelical Theological College, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia**. July 3.
20. Lectured on Introduction to Philosophy, Logic, and Theology. **The Evangelical Theological College, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia**. June 23-July 19.
19. Postmodernism and its Impact on the Christian Faith and Evangelism. **Ethiopia Genet Church, Addis Ababa Ethiopia**. Attendance was close to 500 people. Three separate talks between June 25 and July 6.
18. Jesus in the Gospels. Ethiopian Christian Graduate University Students Fellowship Leaders Annual Conference, **Addis Ababa, Ethiopia** (over 25,000 Christian university students had been represented). July 10.

2006:

17. Reading and Critiques Culture within the Evangelical Churches and Theological Schools in Ethiopia. *Hosanna Mekane Yesus Theological Seminary, Hosanna, Ethiopia*. April 7.

2005:

16. Reading and Critiques Culture within the Evangelical Churches and Theological Schools in Ethiopia. **Mekane Yesus Theological Seminary, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia**. October 7.
15. Reading and Critiques Culture within the Evangelical Churches and Theological Schools in Ethiopia. **Keja Kale Heywet Church, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia**. April 16. **Presented in Amharic** (the

Ethiopian National Language).

14. Reading and Critiques Culture within the Evangelical Churches and Theological Schools in Ethiopia. **Lideta Bethel Mekane Yesus Church, Addis Ababa.** March 6.
13. Reading and Critiques Culture within the Evangelical Churches and Theological Schools in Ethiopia. 5th Annual Campus Students' Leaders Nationwide Seminar: EECMY-USM, **Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.** March 4. Presented in Amharic.

2004:

12. Reading and Critiques Culture within the Evangelical Churches and Theological Schools in Ethiopia. **Mekanisa Mekane Yesus Church, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.** November 6. **Presented in Amharic.**
11. Reading and Critiques Culture within the Evangelical Churches and Theological Schools in Ethiopia. **Evangelical Theological College Faculty Forum, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.** October 1.
10. Reading and Critiques Culture within the Evangelical Churches and Theological Schools in Ethiopia. Genet **Kara Kore Church, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.** August 31. **Presented in Amharic.**
9. Reading and Critiques Culture within the Evangelical Churches and Theological Schools in Ethiopia. **Mesalemya Mekane Yesus Church, Addis. Ababa, Ethiopia.** August 15. **Presented in Amharic.**
8. Reading and Critiques Culture within the Evangelical Churches and Theological Schools in Ethiopia. The Evangelical Churches Fellowship of Awassa, **Hiwot Birhan Church.** July 18. **Presented in Amharic.**
7. Reading and Critiques Culture within the Evangelical Churches and Theological Schools in Ethiopia. Yeka Hiwot Birhan Church, Addis Ababa. May 2. **Presented in Amharic.**
6. Reading and Critiques Culture within the Evangelical Churches and Theological Schools in Ethiopia. Ethiopian Christian Literature Association held at SIM Headquarter, **Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.** **Presented in Amharic.** April 14.
5. The Meaning of Life and Science. **The Christian Temple's Church, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.** August 24, 31, and September 7 and 14. **Presented in Amharic.**

2003:

4. Reading and Critiques Culture within the Evangelical Churches and Theological Schools in Ethiopia. *African Navigators Bible Study Group, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.* 2003.
3. Balancing Christian Life and Academic Excellence. Addis Ababa University Christian Students, organized by Evangelical Students and Graduates Union of Ethiopia (EvA SUE).
2. Balancing Christian Life and Academic Excellence. *Ethiopian Kale Heywet Church University and College Students Fellowship, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.* November 29.

2002:

1. Interviewed by the Foreign Language and Literature Department-**Addis Ababa University.** June 5.

Topics include A Christian view of genetic engineering and cloning; the existence of God; ancient Ethiopia versus contemporary Ethiopia; neo-colonialism in Africa and the role of foreign missionaries in the development of the continent of Africa and the conflict between Israel and Philistines.

ACADEMIC CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS ORGANIZED

1. Human Flourishment in the Age of Artificial Intelligence Post-Symposium Writing Session (chaired). Azusa Pacific University. June 16, 2023.
2. March 26, 2015: The Metaphysics of Consciousness Workshop, Durham University, UK.
 - **Speakers:** John Heil (St. Louis University Washington); Eric Olson (University of Sheffield); Alex Carruth (Durham University); Henry Taylor (Durham University) and Mihretu Guta (Durham University). Funded by the John Templeton Foundation.
3. May 15-17, 2014: Perspectives on the First-Person Perspective: Looking at Metaphysics, Linguistics,

and Neuroscience. I was the lead organizer of this international interdisciplinary conference which took place at **Durham University**. This conference was dedicated to the loving memory of the late Professor Jonathan Lowe. Special Issue with the *Journal of Consciousness Studies* was published by Imprint Academic (2015). Mihretu P. Guta and Sophie Gibb, eds.

- **Main Speakers:** Sophie Gibb (Durham), Harold Noonan (Nottingham), Raymond Tallis, (Manchester), Richard Swinburne (Oxford), Eric Olson (Sheffield), Lynne Rudder Baker (Massachusetts), Wolfram Hinzen and Kristen Schroeder (Barcelona), Matthew Ratcliffe (Durham), Anders Holmberg (Newcastle), Angela Guta (Newcastle) and Mihretu Guta (Durham).
- **Postgraduate Speakers:** Amelia Mihaela Dascalu (Sorbonne-Nouvelle University, Paris); Eleonora Mingarelli (Higher Institute of Philosophy, KU Leuven, Belgium); Brandon L. Rickabaugh (Azusa Pacific University/Biola University, USA) and Alexander Moran (Oxford).
- **Invited paper contributors for Edited Special Issue:** Jose Bermudez (Texas A & M); Thomas Metzinger (Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz); Olley Pearson (Durham) and Andy Hamilton (Durham).
- **Conference Sponsors:** The John Templeton Foundation, the Institute for Advanced Study at Durham University, Ustinov College at Durham University, Faculty of Arts and Humanities Postgraduate Training Grants at Durham University, Newcastle University School of Education, Communication and Language Sciences, the Mind Association, and the Analysis Trust. (**More than £ 7000.00 had been raised**).

ACADEMIC CONFERENCES CHAIRD/SERVED AS A COMMENTATOR

- **May 26, 2021.** Reckoning and Reimagining Abortion Rhetoric and Policies. **Lilly Conference**. Moderator: Socio-Politics Presentations. **Azusa Pacific University**.
- **June 17, 2017:** Is Belief in God Rational? Graduate Students Practice Debate, **Biola University** Summer Residency. Commentator.
- **April 1, 2017:** Allison Krile Thornton, Baylor University. Topic: If I Am a Hylomorphic Compound, Who Thinks My Thoughts? A paper chaired at the Society of Christian Philosophers, Pacific Conference, **Biola University**.
- **June 9-13, 2015:** Toward a Science of Consciousness, 21st International Interdisciplinary Conference. **University of Helsinki**, Finland. Papers chaired:
 - (i) Parts of Consciousness. Cameron Bosinski, Biology, University of Hartford, West Hartford, USA.
 - (ii) Mentality as a Domain in Consciousness. Fabrice Bothereau, Lycée, Ministère Education Nationale, Blois, FRANCE.
 - (iii) Who the Hell is Conscious, and What the Heck of? – A Constructivist Solution to the Mind-Body Problem. Ilkka Kallio, Independent scholar, Helsinki, FINLAND.
 - (iv) Towards a Holistic Conception of Phenomenal Consciousness. Holger Thiel, Philosophy, Central European University Budapest, Berlin, GERMANY
 - (v) Degrees of Consciousness - Implications for Autonomy. Anna Frammartino Wilks, Philosophy, Acadia University, Wolfville NS, CANADA.
- **August 7, 2015:** “The Indexing Ego”. Matthew Z. Donnelly, Southern Illinois University Carbondale (USA). International Conference on Persons, **Boston University, MA**. Commentator.
- **May 17, 2014:** Assessing Contemporary Controversies on the First-Person Pronoun “I”. International Interdisciplinary Conference on Perspectives on the First-Person Perspective: Looking at Metaphysics, Linguistics, and Neuroscience. **Durham University, UK**. A panel discussion was chaired. Participants: Lynne Baker, Eric Olson, Wolfram Hinzen, and Raymond Tallis.

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE/UNIVERSITY SERVICES

EVANGELICAL THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE, ETHIOPIA

- Directed Field Education: “Reported Ministry” and “Internship.”
- Coordinated several Leadership Seminars.
- Evaluated the Field Education Department’s performance and assessment report for the Accrediting Council of African Theological Education.
- Served on academic as well as admissions committees.
- Served on faculty recruitment interview panels.
- Worked in close liaison with various communities in promoting the vision of the Evangelical Theological College.

BIOLA UNIVERSITY, CALIFORNIA

- Served on AI and Plagiarism Task Force Committee (2023).
- Served on the Evaluation Committee for the Annual Program Learning Objectives and Curriculum Development for the Science and Religion Department in the School of Theology (2019 – 2024), academic calendar).
- Served on the Evaluation Committee for the Annual Program Learning Objectives and Curriculum Development for the Science and Religion Department in the School of Theology (2018 – 2019, academic calendar).
- Served on the Evaluation Committee for the Annual Program Learning Objectives and Curriculum Development for the Science and Religion Department in the School of Theology (2017- 2018, academic calendar).

AZUSA PACIFIC UNIVERSITY, CALIFORNIA

- Served on Strategic Planning 20-22 Working Groups- Curricular and Pedagogical Innovation (2021).

NAGEL INSTITUTE, CALVIN COLLEGE

- Participated in Engaging Africa Consultation Meeting organized by the Nagel Institute for the John Templeton Foundation and Issachar Fund for prospects of grant-making for academic research in Africa. Accra, Ghana (August 11-14, 2013).

REFeree AND EDITORIAL SERVICE

Faith and Philosophy Journal

Journal of American Philosophical Association

Journal of the Evangelical Theological Society

An International Review of Philosophy (TOPi)

The Journal of Consciousness Studies (3x)

The Journal of Analytic Theology

Philosophia Christi Journal(4x)

Ethiopian Journal of the Social Sciences and Humanities

Portuguese Journal of Philosophy of Religions-academic interdisciplinary journal

Midwest Conference for the Society of Christian Philosophers- Evangel University, Springfield MO

Undergraduate Students Philosophical Society Annual Conference- Durham University, UK.

- **Book Proposal**-Oxford University Press.
- **Research Grant Proposal**- for Swiss Scientific Foundation.

- Faculty Academic Promotion- Addis Ababa University.

PH.D. THESES (CO-SUPERVISOR): Addis Ababa University.

- **Title:** The Politics of Technology, Postmodernism, and Indigenusness in Ethiopian Culture: A Philosophical Discourse.
- **Title:** Mind and Limitations of a Scientific Theory of Human Consciousness.
- **Title:** Reimagining Psychiatric Ethics: A Care Ethics Perspective.

EXTERNAL THESIS EXAMINER: Graduate-Level Philosophical Theology.

- **2019:** The Cruciform Theodicy of Jurgen Moltmann: Examining Its Theodical Relevance in the Incident of the Gedeo Displacement. Ethiopian Graduate School of Theology Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.
- **2015:** Essay Miressa, 'Critical Analysis of John Hick's Case for Faith, Knowledge and Religious Experience: In Light of Lutheran Exposition of Faith, Knowledge and Religious Experience.' Ethiopian Graduate School of Theology Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.
- **2014:** Zetseat Fekadu, 'Critical Appraisal of Karl Rahner's Concept of 'Anonymous Christianity' in Relation to the Church's Mission: Towards a Particularist View of Religions'. Ethiopian Graduate School of Theology, Addis Ababa Ethiopia.
- **2013:** Amanuel Yonas, 'Universal Salvation: Biblical arguments. Ethiopian Graduate School of Theology, Addis Ababa Ethiopia.
- **2013:** Emnet Tegafaw, 'The Dualistic Tension between Spiritual vs. Secular in the Ethiopian Evangelical Churches and Its Implications on the Understanding of Zefen and Mezmur (Spiritual and Secular Music) in the Ethiopian Evangelicals Context'. Ethiopian Graduate School of Theology, Addis Ababa Ethiopia.

THESIS SUPERVISION: Graduate-Level Biomedical Ethics and Philosophical Theology (2014-2015, 2017 & 2020-2021).

- **2020-2021:** Gilead Project. MS Biotechnology (3 students). Azusa Pacific University.
- **2017:** Daniel Abebe: 'Ethical and Theological Implications of 'Man as a Spirit' View: The Case of New Creation Church'. Ethiopian Graduate School of Theology, Addis Ababa Ethiopia. Successfully completed.
- **2015:** Zetseat Fekadu: 'Reformed Epistemology: Possibility for Apologetic-Interreligious Dialogue'. Ethiopian Graduate School of Theology, Addis Ababa Ethiopia. Successfully completed.
- **2015:** Yonas Zewede: 'The Analysis of the Perception of the Problem of Evil among Christian Parents who have Children with Disabilities.' Evangelical Theological College: School Graduate Studies, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. Successfully completed.

LANGUAGES

- English: Speaking (fluent), writing, reading, and interpreting.
- Amharic: Speaking (fluent), writing, reading, and interpreting.
- Modern Hebrew: Speaking (moderate), writing, reading, and interpreting.
- Greek: Writing, reading, and interpreting.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

- American Philosophical Association.
- Evangelical Philosophical Society.
- American Scientific Affiliation.
- Bias in AI Research Group at Durham University, UK.

VOLUNTARY ACTIVITIES

- Member of Advisory Team for Bias in AI Research Group at Durham University, UK

- Referee service for academic journals.
- Participate in social media interviews on academic matters.
- Gave professional academic lectures organized by Evangelical Philosophical Society (2x).
- Made international trips to Africa (Ethiopia) and taught in theological schools (3x).

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MISCELLANEOUS PRESENTATIONS AND OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- **August 5, 2017.** The Analysis of the Concept of Role-Playing: Philosophical and Theological Perspectives. A one-day workshop at the Ethiopian Christian Fellowship of Los Angeles.
- **May 21, 2016:** Peace and Patience as Related to Moral and Intellectual Virtues. A talk was given at the International Evangelical Church, Los Angeles.
- **March 6 and 13, 2016:** A Philosophical Analysis of the Christian Concept of Spiritual Revival. A talk was given at the *Youth Fellowship* of the Ethiopian Christian Fellowship of Los Angeles.
- **September –October 2010:** The Existential Problem of Evil. A talk was given in the *Discovery Class* at Bethany Church of Sierra Madre, California.
- **September 13-27, 2009:** The Meaning of Life in the Book of Ecclesiastes. A talk was given in the *Discovery Class* at Bethany Church of Sierra Madre, California.
- **January 25, 2009:** The Book of Revelation. A talk was given at the Ethiopian Christian Fellowship of Los Angeles. *Presented in Amharic.*
- **September 7-28, 2008:** Defending a Christian Faith. A series of three lectures were delivered at Artesia- Cerritos United Methodist Church, California.

MAGAZINE/NEWSPAPER ARTICLES (in Amharic):

- **2008:** Interview with one of the leading Christian magazines in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, *Matbetes*, Vol. 9.
- **2006:** The Work Ethics in the West and Africa Contrasted, *Birhan Magazine*. No 58: Evangelical Churches Fellowship of Ethiopia.
- **2005:** What is God's Question? Part I. *Misikir Magazine*, January-February. No. 35. Addis Ababa: Meseret Kristos Church.
- **2004:** Avoiding the Setbacks, Work Ethics: Addis Ababa: *Gesame Magazine*, PLC.
- **2004:** Hypocrisy. Addis Ababa: *Gesame Newspaper*, Vol. 3, No. 1, PLC. September.
- **2004:** What is God's Question? Part II. *Misikir Magazine*, February-April. No. 35. Addis Ababa: Meseret Kristos Church.
- **2004:** An Interview on Reading Culture in Ethiopia, *Beria Newspaper Vol. No. 1*. Addis Ababa: Ethiopian Revival Presbyterian Church, March.
- **2004:** Response given for Hair and Clothes Fashion Question *Yheiwot*, *Berhan Newspaper Vol. 2, No. 9*. Addis Ababa: Yheiwot Berhan Church of Ethiopia, January.
- **2001:** Why Am I A Christian? *Kale Yehwet Magazine*. Addis Ababa: EKHC, No. 22.
- **2001:** Avoiding the Setbacks-Work Ethics. *Geja KHC Newspaper*. Addis Ababa: Geja Kale Heywet Church: Heywet Newspaper.
- **1999:** A Preacher on the Pulpit, *Kale Yehwet Magazine*. Addis Ababa: EKHC, No. 17.
- **1999:** A Preacher after the Pulpit Ministry, *Kale Yehwet Magazine*. Addis Ababa: EKCH, No. 19.
- **1998:** A Preacher before the Pulpit, *Kale Yehwet Magazine*. Addis Ababa: The Ethiopian Kale Heywet Church, No.16.

REVIEWS (in Amharic):

- **2005:** The Purpose Driven Life by Rick Warren. MI: Zondervan. *Birhan Magazine*. No 57: Evangelical Churches Fellowship of Ethiopia.
- **2005:** Pastoral or Elders Leadership by Dr. Birhanu Habte. Addis Ababa: Ecclesia Rise, 2004. *Birhan Magazine*. No 54: Evangelical Churches Fellowship of Ethiopia,
- **2005:** Interview between Myles Munroe and Pastor Benin, *Impact Magazine*. No. 14. Addis Ababa: Christians Temple Church,
- **2004:** Tesfaye Robele's article on 'Let Us Redeem those who are on the Way to Be Slaughtered', *Birhan*

Magazine. No. 50. Addis Ababa: Evangelical Churches Fellowship of Ethiopia.

- **2004:** Response to Wondimu Terefe and Ephrem Mahary on Understanding Your Potential Book Review, *Birhan Magazine*, No. 52. Addis Ababa: Evangelical Churches Fellowship of Ethiopia.
- **2004:** Understanding Your Potential by Myles Munroe, PA: Destiny Image Pub., 1991, *Birhan Magazine*. No. 50. Addis Ababa: Evangelical Churches Fellowship of Ethiopia.
- **2003:** Revival and Ethiopia, by Bekele W/Kidane *Birhan Magazine*., No. 45. Addis Ababa: Evangelical Churches Fellowship of Ethiopia,
- **2003:** Response to Bekele W/ Kidane and Salomon Tilahun on the Revival and Ethiopia Book Review. *Addis Ababa: Full Gospel Church, 2001, Birhan Magazine*. No. 49. Addis Ababa: Evangelical Churches Fellowship of Ethiopia.
- **2002:** *Magazine*. No. 45. Addis Ababa: Evangelical Churches Fellowship of Ethiopia,
- **2000:** Apostleship: Critique on Evangelist Muluwork Mekuria's Article. *Heywet Magazine*, No. 46. Addis Ababa: Geja KHC.

POPULAR LEVEL ARTICLES (in English):

- **2006:** Is It True That I Am Here? *The Steadfast Newsletter*, Biola University, Talbot School of Theology, Issue 3, December
- **2006:** Jesus in the Gospels, *Koinonia Magazine*. Addis Ababa: International Evangelical Church of Addis Ababa, 11th Edition, March
- **2003/4:** How Should We Run the Race? *The Ethiopian Kale Heywet Church 75th Anniversary*. No. 28. Addis Ababa: The EKHC Communication and Literature Department.
- **2003:** Is It an Outmoded Thinking, Truth, and Hope? *Foundations Magazine*. Addis Ababa: Evangelical Theological College.
- **2002:** What is Missing? *Foundations Magazine*. Addis Ababa: Evangelical Theological College.
- **2002:** What is Out There Behind a Curtain? *Graduation Magazine*. Addis Ababa: Meseret Kristos College.
- **1999:** It's High Time for Self-Evaluation than Continuation. *Heywet Magazine*, No. 42. Addis Ababa: Geja KHC.
- **1998:** God Called Me to Preach to The Deaf. *Foundations Magazine*. Addis Ababa: Evangelical Theological College.

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- Playing guitar
- Playing soccer
- Running

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