

## Curriculum Vita

### **Richard Wayne Pointer**

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#### **Academic Address:**

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#### **Educational Experience**

B.A. History, Magna Cum Laude – Houghton College, 1977  
M.A. History – Johns Hopkins University, 1980  
Ph.D. History – Johns Hopkins University, 1982  
Postdoctoral Fellow – University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia Center for Early American Studies, 1985-1986

#### **Work Experience**

##### Westmont College

Professor of History, 1996 – present  
Associate Professor of History, 1994 – 1996

##### Trinity College

Associate Professor of History, 1987 – 1994  
Assistant Professor of History, 1983 – 1987

##### Westmont College

Visiting Associate Professor of History, 1988 – 1989

##### Wheaton College

Visiting Assistant Professor History, 1982 – 1983

##### Oral Roberts University

Visiting Assistant Professor of History, 1981 – 1982

#### **Honors and Prizes**

##### Who's Who in America

##### Who's Who Among America's Teachers

Teacher of the Year, Social Science Division, Westmont College, 2003

Teacher of the Year, Social Science Division, Westmont College, 1997

Phi Beta Kappa

Phi Kappa Phi

Kerr Prize of the New York State Historical Association, 1986 (awarded for the best article appearing in *New York History* during 1985)

## Publications

### Books

*Encounters of the Spirit: Native Americans and European Colonial Religion.* Bloomington: Indiana University Press, forthcoming 2007.

*Protestant Pluralism and the New York Experience: A Study of Eighteenth-Century Religious Diversity.* Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 1988.

### Articles

“From Imitating Language to a Language of Imitation: Puritan-Indian Discourse in Early New England.” In Laura Knoppers, ed., *Puritanism and Its Discontents*, 145-66. Cranbury, N. J.: University of Delaware Press, 2003.

“The Sounds of Worship: Nahua Music Making and Colonial Catholicism in Sixteenth-Century Mexico.” In *Fides et Historia*, 34 (Summer/Fall 2002): 25-44.

“Philadelphia Presbyterians, Capitalism, and the Morality of Economic Success.” In Mark A. Noll, ed., *God and Mammon: Protestants, Money, and the Market, 1790-1860*, 171-91. New York: Oxford University Press, 2001. Also appeared in *Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography* 112 (July 1988): 349-74.

“‘A Race Doomed to Recede and Disappear’: Re-placing Indians in American history.” *Books & Culture* 7 (July/August 2001): 24-27.

“‘Poor Indians and the Poor in Spirit’: The Indian Impact on David Brainerd.” In Alden T. Vaughan, ed., *New England Encounters: Indians & Euroamericans, ca. 1600-1850*, 233-55. Boston: Northeastern University Press, 1999. Also appeared in *The New England Quarterly* 67 (September 1994): 403-26.

“*The New York Review.*” In Ronald Lora and William Longton, eds., *The Conservative Press in Eighteenth- and Nineteenth-Century America*, 349-55. Westport, Conn.: Greenwood Press, 1999.

“Selves and Others in Early New England: Refashioning American Puritan Studies.” In Ronald A. Wells, ed., *History and the Christian Historian*, 137-58. Grand Rapids, Mich.: Wm. B. Eerdmans, 1998.

“Kenneth S. Latourette.” In Michael Bauman and Martin Klauber, eds., *Historians of the Christian Tradition: Their Methodologies and Impact on Western Thought*, 411-30. Nashville: Broadman & Holman Publishers, 1995.

“‘Recycling’ Early American Religion: Some Historiographical Problems and Prospects.” *Fides et Historia* 23 (Fall 1991): 31-42.

“Freedom, Truth, and American Thought, 1760-1810.” In Ronald A. Wells and Thomas A. Askew, eds., *Liberty and Law: Reflections on the Constitution in American Life and Thought*, 25-41. Grand Rapids, Mich.: Wm. B. Eerdmans, 1987.

“American Ideas on the Relation of Freedom and Truth, 1760-1810.” *Fides et Historia* 19 (June/July 1987): 20-31.

“Religious Life in New York During the Revolutionary War.” *New York History* 66 (October 1985): 357-73.

### **Short Contributions**

*Encyclopedia of Protestantism*. New York: Routledge, 2004.

*Biographical Dictionary of Evangelicals*. Leicester, England: Inter-Varsity Press, 2003.

*Religion in Geschichte und Gegenwart*. 4<sup>th</sup> ed. Tübingen, Germany: Mohr Siebeck, 2001; *Religion in Past and Present*. Leiden, The Netherlands: Brill, forthcoming.

*Dictionary of the Presbyterian and Reformed Tradition in America*. Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 1999.

*World Book Encyclopedia*. Chicago: World Book Publishing, 1995.

*The Blackwell Dictionary of Evangelical Biography: 1730-1860*. Oxford: Basil Blackwell, 1995.

*Dictionary of Christianity in America*. Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 1990.

### **Book Reviews**

Steven W. Hackel, *Children of Coyote, Missionaries of Saint Francis: Indian-Spanish Relations in Colonial California, 1769-1850*. In *Fides et Historia*, 38 (Summer/Fall 2006): 131-33.

Alan Gallay, *The Indian Slave Trade: The Rise of the English Empire in the American South, 1670-1717*. In *Fides et Historia*, 36 (Summer/Fall 2004): 157-58.

H. Larry Ingle, *First Among Friends: George Fox and the Creation of Quakerism*. In *The Eighteenth Century: A Current Bibliography*, New York: AMS Press, forthcoming.

Bonnelyn Young Kunze, *Margaret Fell and the Rise of Quakerism*. In *The Eighteenth Century: A Current Bibliography*, New York: AMS Press, forthcoming.

Daniel Dreisbach, *Thomas Jefferson and the Wall of Separation between Church and State*. In *Journal of American History*, 90 (December 2003): 1003-04.

Douglas A. Sweeney, *Nathaniel Taylor, New Haven Theology, and the Legacy of Jonathan Edwards*. In *Fides et Historia*, 35 (Summer/Fall 2003): 144-46.

Daniel Richter, *Facing East from Indian Country: A Native History of Early America*. In *Fides et Historia*, 35 (Summer/Fall 2003): 177-79.

Russell Bourne, *Gods of War, Gods of Peace: How the Meeting of Native and Colonial Religions Shaped Early America*. In *Books & Culture*, <http://www.christianitytoday.com/books/features/bookwk/030120.html>, January 20, 2003.

Nina Reid-Maroney, *Philadelphia's Enlightenment, 1740-1800: Kingdom of Christ, Empire of Reason*. In *American Historical Review*, 107 (October 2002): 1221-22.

- Derek H. Davis, *Religion and the Continental Congress, 1774-1789: Contributions to Original Intent*. In *Cithara: essays in the Judeo-Christian tradition*, 41 (November 2001): 51-52.
- Firth Haring Fabend, *Zion on the Hudson: Dutch New York and New Jersey in the Age of Revivals*. In *American Historical Review* 106 (June 2001): 979-80.
- Linda Munk, *The Devil's Mousetrap: Redemption and Colonial American Literature*. In *Fides et Historia*, 31 (Summer/Fall 1999) : 146-47.
- Jonathan D. Sarna and David G. Dalin, *Religion and State in the American Jewish Experience*. In *Shofar: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Jewish Studies*, 17 (Spring 1999): 171-72.
- Colin G. Calloway, *New Worlds For All: Indians, Europeans, and the Remaking of Early America*. In *Fides et Historia*, 30 (Winter/Spring 1998): 99-100.
- John A. Andrew III, *From Revivals to Renewal: Jeremiah Evarts, the Cherokee Nation, and the Search for the Soul of America*. In *The Journal of Interdisciplinary History*, 25 (Autumn 1994): 327-29.
- Henry F. May, *The Divided Heart: Essays on Protestantism and the Enlightenment in America*. In *Church History* 63 (March 1994): 127-29.
- Douglas G. Jacobsen, *An Unprov'd Experiment: Religious Pluralism in Colonial New Jersey*. In *Critical Review of Books in Religion* 1993. Atlanta, GA: Scholars Press, 1994: 374-75.
- Edwin S. Gaustad, *Liberty of Conscience: Roger Williams in America*. In *American Historical Review* 98 (June 1993): 939.
- Earl P. Olmstead, *Blackcoats Among the Delaware: David Zeisberger on the Ohio Frontier*. In *Christian Scholar's Review* 22 (June 1993): 443-44.
- Milton J. Coalter, John M. Mulder, and Louis B. Weeks, eds., *The Presbyterian Predicament*. Coalter, Mulder, and Weeks, eds., *The Mainstream Protestant "Decline"* and Coalter, Mulder and Weeks, eds., *The Confessional Mosaic*. In *Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography* 117 (Jan./April 1993): 116-19.
- Jon Butler, *Awash in a Sea of Faith: Christianizing the American People*. In *The Catholic Historical Review* 77 (April 1991): 331-32.
- Allen C. Guelzo, *Edwards on the Will: A Century of American Theological Debate*. In *American Historical Review* 95 (October 1990): 1285.
- Randal H. Balmer, *A Perfect Babel of Confusion: Dutch Religion and English Culture in the Middle Colonies*. In *Fides et Historia* 22 (Summer 1990): 90-92.
- Anne M. Boylan, *Sunday School: The Formation of an American Institution, 1790-1880*. In *Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography* 113 (October 1989): 655-57.
- Donald Weber, *Rhetoric and History in Revolutionary New England*. In *American Historical Review* 94 (October 1989): 1169-70.
- Eugene E. Campbell, *Establishing Zion: The Mormon Church in the American West, 1847-1869*. In *Pacific Northwest Quarterly* 80 (April 1989): 73.
- Richard Beeman et al., *Beyond Confederation: Origins of the Constitution and American National Identity*. In *Fides et Historia* 20 (October 1988): 97-99.
- D. G. Bell, *Newlight Baptist Journals of James Manning and James Innes*, and George A. Rawlyk, *The Sermons of Henry Alline*. In *Fides et Historia* 20 (June 1988): 54-55.
- Thomas A. Askew and Peter W. Spellman, *The Churches and the American Experience: Ideals and Institutions*. In *Fides et Historia* 18 (October 1986): 93-95.

Justo L. González, *The Story of Christianity*. In *Christian Scholar's Review* 15 (1986): 205-06.

William G. McLoughlin, *Cherokees and Missionaries, 1789-1839*, and Robert H. Keller, Jr., *American Protestantism and United States Indian Policy, 1869-1882*. In *TSF Bulletin* 9 (1985): 20, 22.

## **Manuscript Evaluations**

Oxford University Press  
 University of Tennessee Press  
 Northeastern University Press  
 Frank S. and Elizabeth D. Brewer Book Prize, American Society of Church History  
 Kenneth S. Latourette Book Prize, Conference on Faith and History  
 Charles J. Miller Christian Scholar's Award, *Christian Scholar's Review*  
*Christian Scholar's Review*  
*Church History*  
*Fides et Historia*  
*William and Mary Quarterly*

## **Fellowships and Grants**

Faculty Summer Grant, 2006, Westmont College  
 Faculty Curriculum Grant, 2005, Westmont College  
 Regional Conference Grant, 2002, Lilly Fellows Program in Humanities and the Arts  
 Faculty Summer Grant, 2002, Westmont College  
 Faculty Sabbatical Grant, 2001, Westmont College  
 Faculty International Development Grant, 1999, Westmont College  
 Faculty Summer Grant, 1998, Westmont College  
 Faculty Summer Seminar in Christian Scholarship, 1997, Calvin College, Pew Charitable Trusts  
 Faculty Summer Grant, 1996, Westmont College  
 Faculty Course Reduction Grant, 1995, Westmont College  
 Faculty Sabbatical Grant, 1993-1994, Trinity College  
 Faculty Summer Research Grant, 1992, Trinity College  
 Faculty Course Reduction Grant, 1991, Trinity College  
 Faculty Summer Research Grant, 1990, Trinity College  
 Faculty Incentive Grant, 1988, J. Howard Pew Freedom Trust  
 Faculty Development Grant, 1986, Trinity College  
 Postdoctoral Fellowship, 1985-1986, Philadelphia Center for Early American Studies.  
 Faculty Development Grant, 1983, Trinity College  
 Research Stipend, 1980-1981, Johns Hopkins University  
 Research Assistantship, 1980, Lilly Endowment  
 Teaching Assistantship, 1978-79, Johns Hopkins University  
 Research Assistantship, 1977-78, Lilly Endowment

## **Professional Memberships and Responsibilities**

American Historical Association

Organization of American Historians

American Society of Church History; served on Membership Committee, 1987-1996

Conference on Faith and History; served as President, 1993-1995, as Vice-President,  
1991-1993

*Christian Scholar's Review*; served as Associate Editor for History and Political Science,  
1995-2001