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### *Education:*

- 2008 Ph.D., Fuller Theological Seminary. Thesis: “Unmasking Machismo: From Malleability to Transformation of Andean Pentecostal Leaders in Central Peru”
- 1996 M.Div. *Multi-cultural Ministries* – Fuller Theological Seminary
- 1996 B.A. Philosophy and Religion - University of La Verne, California

### *Work Experience:*

- 2009-present Associate Professor of Intercultural Studies, Fuller Theological Seminary
- 2009-2018 Interim Pastor, Iglesia El Centro, Mennonite Church USA, Colorado
- 2006-2009 Academic and Spiritual Mentor, Distance Learning, Fuller Theological Seminary
- 2003-2009 Adjunct Instructor of Leadership, Fuller Theological Seminary
- 2000-present Co-Chairman of Network for Development of Latino Leaders (NDLL)
- 1998-2001 Lecturer, FATELA (Latin American Theological Graduate School), CM&A
- 1997-2002 Director and Instructor of Leadership and Theology of Mission, Latin American School of Missiology, Peru
- 1998-2002 Instructor of Missions, School of Missions, Emmanuel Bible Church, Peru
- 1998-2002 Director, Missionary Bridges Project, AMEN, Lima, Peru
- 1995-1997 Lecturer, Latin American School of Missiology, Lima, Peru
- 1992-1997 Instructor of Practical Theology, Center of Discipleship and Mission
- 1991-1994 Director of Operations, WorkNet Inc./World Vision U.S. Division – Job and Career Development, Pasadena, CA
- 1989-1991 Director of Programs Christian Reformed Church / World Vision U.S. Division – Job Development Program, Sun Valley/North Hollywood, CA
- 1986-2004 Associate Pastor, LACC/Hispanic-American Missionary Church, Pasadena, CA
- 1983-1985 Associate Pastor, Communauté Missionnaire Keyrgma, Paris, France

*Ordained Pastor:* Mennonite Church USA, Colorado Springs, CO; April 2016.

*Licensed Pastor:* Mennonite Church USA, Colorado Springs, CO; August 2014.

*Commissioned:* Hispanic-American Missionary Church, Pasadena, CA; July 30, 1997

### *Publications in Process or Awaiting Publication:*

- 2021 Spanish-Translation of Tug of War, (Pugna por Poder: La Humilde Ascendencia del Poder), approved under first publication contract.
- 2019 “Unmasking the Male Soul: Power and Gender Trap for Women in Leadership.” To be published by Wipf and Stock, (early Fall 2019)
- 2017 “Tug of War: The Downward Ascent of Power” Published by Wipf and Stock (Cascade Books imprint), Oregon (July 2017)
- n.d. “Sowing in Tears, Reaping with Joy: Women in Mission and the Power of Joy” in

- A Missiology of Joy – to be published and edited by Reisacher and Cho, Baker Academic.
- n.d. “Mission with Power Issues and Struggle: An Interdisciplinary Exploration.” A *Proposal to be submitted for publication for the Mission in Global Community Series*, (FTS-SIS) with Baker Academic.
- n.d. *Confrontando el Machismo: Mito y Realidades Evangélicas (possible publication)*
- n.d. *Spirituality of Suffering: Latino-Hispanic Perspectives (possible publication)*

*Courses currently facilitated at Fuller Theological Seminary)*

Character, Community and Leadership (ML582) MAGL cohort sequence course  
 Developing Your Learning Plan (ML581) MAGL cohort sequence course  
 Dynamics of Power and Gender in Christian Leadership (ML519) Fuller Online  
 Global Leadership: Implications for Ministry (ML583) MAGL cohort sequence course  
 Leading a Missional Community (MC506) MAGL cohort sequence course  
 Lifelong Development (ML530) MAGL cohort sequence course

*Courses Taught (Fuller Theological Seminary)*

Focused Lives (ML524)  
 Mentoring (ML523)  
 Leadership for Transformation (ML542) Certificate Studies for Missionaries  
 Value-Based Leadership in New Testament (ML536)  
 Value-Based Leadership in Old Testament (ML534)

*Membership in Societies:*

American Society of Missiology  
 Academy of Religious Leadership  
 Latin American Theological Fellowship (FTL)  
 American Academy of Religion  
 Evangelical Missiological Society

*Awards and Grants:*

- 2014 Runner-up for C. Davis Weyerhaeuser Award, SIS, 2014.  
 2008 Leadership Award, School of Intercultural Studies, FTS, 2008  
 1992-1995 The Fund for Theological Education Scholarship  
 1995 Who’s Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges  
 1995 The Jewett Scholarship Fund  
 1989 City of Los Angeles – Outstanding Civic Service Award

*Boards and Committees:*

- 2014-2018 Board Member, Mountain States Mennonite Conference  
 2013-2018 Liaison for Diversity, Beth-El Mennonite/El Centro Church Committee

2012-2013     Consultant for Mountain States Mennonite Conference  
 2010-2018     Board Member, Iglesia El Centro, MCUSA  
 2006-2017     Board Member, InterGlobal Online Education for Spanish-speaking Leaders  
 2000-present   Co-chair, Network for Development of Latino Leaders (NEXO)

*Lectures, Conferences and Academic Papers:*

2019            “Assumptions on Power: Integration of Paradox, Storytelling, and Community.”  
 Presented at the Annual 2019 Conference of the Academy of Religious  
 Leadership, Minneapolis, MN (April)

2018            “Nature of Power and Mutuality in Human Relationships.” Presented at a panel  
 for the Gathering of Christians for Biblical Equality, Colorado Springs, CO (May)

2017            “Liberation of Education: A Paradigm from the Global South and its Contribution  
 for Missiological Innovation in North America.” Presented at the Annual 2017  
 Evangelical Missiological Society at GAIL, Arlington, TX (September)

2017            “Hopeful Transformation: Developmental Perspective for High-Level  
 Leadership” presented at the CEO Peer-to-Peer Retreat organized by  
 MissioNexus, Colorado Springs, CO (June)

2017            “Liberation of Education: A Paradigm from the Global South and its Contribution  
 for Missiological Innovation in North America.” Presented at the Evangelical  
 Missiological Society-Rocky Mountain Region- at Denver Seminary, (March).

2016            “Power and Humility of God: Two Disarming and Necessary Leadership  
 Perspectives.” Presented at the Clinton Leadership 2.0 Summit, Colorado Springs,  
 (August)

2016            “Congreso de Panamá 1916: ¿Tiene acaso significado para las misiones hoy?”  
 Response presented in Spanish language at the ASM annual meeting,  
 Northwestern University, MN (June).

2015            “Transformative Education, Really?—Teaching reflections on the MAGL  
 journey” Unpublished and shared article for the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of SIS.  
 “Newness of Hope in the Midst of Disappointment” *The Mennonite*, May 2015,  
 Volume 18, Number 5 (21-23). <http://mennoniteusa.org/news/newness-of-hope-in-the-midst-of-disappointment/>

2015            “La Condición Humana de Líder: Perspectivas de Formación y Vocación” and  
 “La Humilde Ascendencia del Poder” (*Downward Ascent of Power*) seminars at the  
 Patagonian Theological Institute, Punta Arenas, Chile (March).

2014            “Formation in the Desert—Moses Preparation and Transformation as Change  
 Agent” Presented at the Latin American Summit of Prison Fellowship  
 International, Medellin, Colombia (July).

2014            “Leading in the Face of Oppression,” Plenary Speaker for Transform’14  
 Conference, International Teams, Mexico (May).

2013            “The Future of Theological Education: Insights from Fuller’s First Online  
 Degree-MAGL” Presented at the Leader Development Consultation, Hong Kong  
 (October).

2013            “Undoing Sexism through Storytelling: Counter Cultural Intimations in the  
 Gospels,” Presented at the Bi-annual Conference of the Mennonite Church USA  
 (MCUSA), Phoenix, Arizona (July).

- 2012 “Towards a Renewed Spirituality: Confronting Illusions by Embracing the Belovedness of Christ” Student Lecture, Seminar I MAGL, Fuller Theological Seminary (January).
- 2011 “Passion and Suffering as Marks of Leadership,” and “Spiritual Authority in the Cultural Struggle of Leadership,” Patagonian Theological Institute, Punta Arenas, Chile (December).
- 2011 “Mentoring for Leadership in Global Settings,” Annual Global Staff Lectures at Association of Christian Schools International, Colorado Springs (December)
- 2011 “Towards a Reciprocal Mission Theology for Intercultural Teams,” at the Mission for the Third Millennium Conference, Kansas City, MO (August)
- 2010 “Dynamics of Selection and Development of Leaders” Student Lectures, International Apostolic Bible College, Sacramento, CA, (December)
- 2010 “Mentoring as an Informal Training of Leaders” Student Lectures, International Apostolic Bible College, Sacramento, CA, (November)
- 2010 “Conflict, Crises and the Inner Formation of Leaders” Student Lectures, International Apostolic Bible College, Sacramento, CA, (October)
- 2010 “Issues of Power and Control: Changing Perspectives” Student Lectures, International Apostolic Bible College, Sacramento, CA, (September)
- 2010 “Starting Well,” “Leadership and Authority,” “Developmental Insights for Leadership Practice,” “Mentoring the Next Generation of Hispanics,” and “Finishing Well,” Plenary Speaker, Apostolic Assembly Convention, Los Angeles Area Leaders’ Conference, Downey, CA (January)
- 2009 “Comunicación y Resonancia en la Formación de Líderes,” “Conceptos y Pautas Escriturales en el Desarrollo de Liderazgo,” and “Poder y Debilidad en la Práctica de Liderazgo,” Plenary Speaker, Network for Developing Latino Leaders, Annual Summit, Quito, Ecuador (September).
- 2009 “Mentoring Practices for Pastoral Ministry,” and “Stagnant Leadership: Revitalization and Strategies for Lasting Ministry,” Student Lectures, International Apostolic Bible College, McAllen, TX, (March)
- 2009 “Power and Leadership: Distortions and New Possibilities,” “Developing Leaders through Empowering Relationships,” “When Leaders Suffer: Transformational Insights on Powerlessness,” and “Spiritual Mentoring: Learning from Historical Leaders,” Student Lectures, International Apostolic Bible College, McAllen, TX, (February)
- 2008 “Mentoring: A Cycle of Empowering Relationships,” “Spiritual Authority in Mentoring Practice,” “Starting Well,” “Leading Out of Being,” “Finishing Well and Its Six Characteristics,” and “Finishing Well and Its Six Barriers, and Five Enhancing Factors,” Student Lectures, International Apostolic Bible College, Rancho Cucamonga, CA, (November)
- 2008 “New Pathways to Spirituality for Leaders in Latino Context,” “Confronting Masks: Power, Control and Cultural Machismo,” “Identity, Significance and Transformation,” “Poder y Debilidad en la Práctica de Liderazgo,” and “Cultural Challenges to a Strong Finish,” Plenary Speaker, Network for Developing Latino Leaders, Third International Congress, Caracas, Venezuela (October).
- 2008 “A Mentoring Philosophy for Post-Graduate Education,” “Establishing Mentoring Dynamics in Doctoral Research,” “Insights on Mentoring as a Tool in Formal

Education,” “Learning Environments in Mentoring Practice,” “A Mentoring Philosophy for Post-Graduate Education,” and “Biblical Contours for Relational Dynamics,” Faculty Lectures, Consortium for Graduate Programs in Christian and Mission Graduate Studies/Tyrannus Bible Seminary, Bandung, Indonesia (August).

2004-2007 Plenary Speaker – “Latin American Leadership Congresses,” Latin Leader Link in Costa Rica (2004), Ecuador (2005), NDLL Annual Summit, Ecuador & Venezuela (2007).

2000-present Speaker at various church, leadership, missionary conferences, Apostolic Assembly, Foursquare Church, United Methodist, MCUSA, FATELA, Nexo (NDLL), Misión Tercer Milenio, etc.

*Married:* Jean Elizabeth (Harris) Villacorta, 1987. Four children ages 27, 24, 21 and 18.