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Prof C. Landman (UNISA)

Professor Christina Landman has been teaching at the University of South Africa for the past 40 years. She was the first woman to become a Professor of Theology at a South African university. She is a C2 NRF rated researcher and has obtained 7 Theology degrees which include two doctorates. One in Church Polity and the other in Pastoral Counselling. She is the Editor of the accredited journal Studia Historiae Ecclesiasticae of the Church History Society of Southern Africa, as well as an Editor of the Special Collection Social Memory Studies. She has published several books and articles on Church History, Oral History and Gender Studies.

In 2004 she won the Christian Booksellers of South Africa "Book of the Year Award" for "Leefstyl-Bybel vir Vroue", in 2007 she won "The Most Published Woman at Unisa (2005)" Award and in 2010 she won the CEO Women of the Year award (Education and training). She is an ordained minister of the Word in the Uniting Reformed Church in Southern Africa ministering in Rustenburg-Karlienpark.



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Prof. Gordon Ernest Dames holds a B Th, B Th Hons, M TH and a D Th from the University of the Western Cape and is a full professor in Practical theology at the University of South Africa. He is a C3 NRF rated researcher, who has published extensively both nationally and internationally in peer-reviewed accredited journals. Some of his academic interests include African contextual transformational practical theology, ethnographic ecclesial studies and life narrative and practice-oriented research in leadership and spirituality.

He has held a range of strategic research positions in academic leadership. Amongst other academic associations he has been a member of the International Institute for Studies in Race, Reconciliation and Social Justice (University of the Free State), the South African Institute for Missional Church as director, the International Missional Think Tank, the Society for Practical Theology in South Africa and continues to be a part of the International Association of Practical Theology (IATP). He has reviewed for accredited theological journals such as Thelogia Viatorum, Acta Theologia, the Journal of Theology for Southern Africa, HTS, Religion & Theology, NGTT, Studia Historiae Ecclesiasticae and Verbum et Ecclesia to name a few. His work history comprises of employment at the University of the Free State, the Cape Peninsula University of Technology, the University of Stellenbosch, the URCSA and even founded the Diatesda Community Development. In 1989 he led the ANC and COSATU Release Mandela March and hosted the goodwill visit by Dr Nelson Mandela in 2000.

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Dr Resane has authored three books:

Mentoring: A Journey to the best one can be, AcadSA, 2010. Communion Ecclesiology in Racially Polarised South Africa. SUN MeDIA 2017. South African Experiences from Colonialism to Democracy, SunBonani Media, 2020

He has contributed chapters in four different books and published 45 articles in international journals. He currently serves as a National Director of Bible League International/South Africa. Dr Resane is a credentialed minister in the Assemblies of God denomination.

