

# David Mark Rathel

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## Education

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- 2019: The University of St Andrews, St Mary's College  
*Ph.D. in Divinity*  
Supervisor: Rev. Dr. Stephen R. Holmes
- 2014: Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary  
*Completed 17 Credit Hours of Doctoral-Level Seminars in Systematic Theology*
- 2012: Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary  
*Master of Theology with Thesis*
- 2008: Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary  
*Master of Divinity in Apologetics with Biblical Languages*
- 2004: The Baptist College of Florida  
*Bachelor of Arts in Theology*

## Teaching Experience

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- 2019–Present: Gateway Seminary  
*Associate Professor of Christian Theology*
- 2010–19: The Baptist College of Florida  
*Adjunctive Online Professor of Philosophy and Theology*
- 2018: University of Edinburgh Graduate School  
*Guest Presenter in Nineteenth-Century Postgraduate Research Seminar*
- 2015–17: The University of St Andrews  
*Postgraduate Tutor in Systematic Theology*  
*Postgraduate Guest Lecturer in Systematic Theology*  
*Academic Skills Project Workshop Leader*
- 2014: Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary  
*Guest Lecturer in a Graduate-Level Theology Course*  
*Grading Assistant for the Associate Dean of the College at Southeastern*

## Classroom Competence

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- 2017: The University of St Andrews  
*Centre for Academic, Professional, and Organisational Development*
- I completed a graduate-level module on teaching in higher education contexts. This module focused on syllabus design, intended learning outcomes, and student assessment strategies. Upon completion, the Higher Education Academy accepted me as an Associate Fellow in recognition of my competency as a teacher.
- 2014–17: The University of St Andrews  
*Centre for Academic, Professional, and Organisational Development*
- I participated in over 80 hours of modules on such topics as teaching in higher education, student engagement strategies, and the use of Microsoft Office.

## Ministry Experience

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- 2014–19: Scottish Baptist Lay Preachers Association  
*Itinerant Minister in Scotland*  
*Pre-Accredited Minister with Baptist Union of Scotland*
- 2008–14: Fork Baptist Church in Scottsburg, Virginia  
*Senior Pastor*
- 2002–05: Westville Baptist Church in Westville, Florida  
*Pastor*

## Publications and Academic Conferences

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### Book

*Baptists and the Emerging Church Movement: A Baptist Assessment of Four Themes of Emerging Church Ecclesiology.* Eugene: Wipf & Stock, 2014.

### Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

“John Gill and the Charge of Hyper-Calvinism: Assessing Contemporary Arguments in Defense of John Gill’s Soteriology.” *The Journal of Andrew Fuller Studies* 1 (2020): 9–31.

“Evangelicals, Ecclesiology, and Empire: How Ecclesial Commitments Shaped Early Evangelical Reactions to British Rule in India.” *American Baptist Quarterly* 38, no. 2 (2019): 126–145.

“A Case Study in Baptist Catholicity: The Scriptures and the Tradition in the Theology of John Gill.” *Baptist Quarterly* 49, no. 3 (2018): 108–116.

“John Gill and the History of Redemption as Mere Shadow: Exploring Gill’s Doctrine of the Covenant of Redemption.” *Journal of Reformed Theology* 11, no. 4 (2017): 377–400.

“Was John Gill a Hyper-Calvinist?: Determining Gill’s Theological Identity.” *Baptist Quarterly* 48, no. 1 (2017): 47–59.

#### Contributed Book Chapter

“The Covenant Theology of Jonathan Edwards,” in *The Miscellanies Companion*, ed. Robert Boss. Fort Worth: Jonathan Edwards Society Press, 2018.

#### Select Conference Proceedings

“Professor James B. Torrance and the Marrow of Free Grace: A Critical Reading of Prof. Torrance’s Appeals to Theological Precursors in the Reformed Tradition.” Paper presented at the Evangelical Theological Society Annual Meeting. Online Meeting, 17 November 2020.

“Religion Beyond "Bare Faith:" Understating Jonathan Edwards’ Religious Epistemology Through the Writings of Andrew Fuller.” Paper presented at the Evangelical Theological Society Annual Meeting. Online Meeting, 19 November 2020.

"Who Was John Johnson? Answering an Important (But Forgotten) Question in Andrew Fuller Research." Paper presented at the Evangelical Theological Society Annual Meeting. San Diego, California, 20 November 2019.

“Neither Arian Nor Athanasian: A Fresh Consideration of the Trinitarian Theology of Isaac Watts.” Paper presented at the Evangelical Theological Society Annual Meeting. Denver, Colorado, 14 November 2018.

“Baptist Theology in the Age of Enlightenment: Contextualizing the Soteriological Proposals of John Gill and Andrew Fuller.” Paper presented at the International Conference on Baptist Studies VIII. Baylor University, 20 July 2018.

“Professor James B. Torrance and the Marrow of Free Grace: A Critical Reading of Prof. Torrance’s Appeals to Theological Precursors in the Reformed Tradition.” Paper presented at the Edinburgh Dogmatics Conference. Edinburgh, Scotland, 29 August 2017.

“Baptists and the British Empire: Examining Calls for Religious Toleration in the East India Company.” Paper presented at the Ecclesiastical History Society Conference. Magdalene College, University of Cambridge, 14 January 2017.

“Innovating the Covenant of Redemption: John Gill and the History of Redemption as Mere Shadow.” Paper presented at the 2016 Evangelical Theological Society Meeting. San Antonio, Texas, 15 November 2016.

“Innovating the Covenant of Redemption: John Gill and the History of Redemption as Mere Shadow.” Paper presented at St Mary’s College Theology Seminar. The University of St Andrews, 6 April 2016.

“The Burial of the Dead in the Scottish Reformations: Exploring Diversity of Practice in Sixteenth-Century Scotland.” Paper presented at Death and Identity in Scotland Conference. The University of Edinburgh, 30 January 2016.

“John Gill and Hyper-Calvinism: Assessing Recent Arguments Over Gill’s Theological Identity.” Paper presented at 2015 Evangelical Theological Society Annual Meeting. Atlanta, Georgia, 17 November 2015.

#### Encyclopedia Entries

“Goat” and “Eunuch” in *The Lexham Bible Dictionary*. Edited by John D. Barry and Lazarus Wentz. Bellingham: Lexham Press, 2015.

#### Select Book Reviews

Review of *Reformed Scholasticism: Recovering the Tools of Reformed Theology*, by Ryan M. McGraw. *Regent’s Reviews* 12, no. 1 (2020): 7.

Review of *Useful Learning: Neglected Means of Grace in the Reception of the Evangelical Revival among English Particular Baptists*, by Anthony R. Cross. *American Baptist Quarterly* 38, no. 1 (2019): 116–117.

Review of *The Baptist Story* by Anthony Chute, Nathan Finn, and Michael A. G. Haykin. *Baptist Quarterly* 50, no. 4 (2019): 170–171.

Review of *People of the Promise: A Mere Protestant Ecclesiology*, ed. Joseph Minich and Bradford Littlejohn. *Evangelical Quarterly* 89, no. 3 (2018): 281–282.

Review of *Strictures on Sandemanianism*, ed. Nathan A Finn. *Journal for Eighteenth-Century Studies* 41, no. 4 (2018): 619.

Review of *Memoirs of the Rev. Samuel Pearce*, ed. Michael Haykin. *Themelios* 43, no. 2 (2018): 297–298.

Review of *The Extent of the Atonement: A Historical and Critical Review*, by David L. Allen. *Southeastern Theological Review* 8, no. 2 (2017): 121–123.

Review of *Protestant Paths: A Story of Dissent*, by Pauline Ashbridge. *Regent’s Reviews* 8, no. 2 (2017): 38.

Review of *Baptist Foundations: Church Government for an Anti-Institutional Age*, ed. Mark Dever and Jonathan Leeman. *Journal for Baptist Theology and Ministry* 13, no. 2 (2016): 126–129.

Review of *The First American Evangelical: A Short Life of Cotton Mather*, by Rick Kennedy. *Themelios* 41, no. 2 (2016): 348–349.

Review of *Andrew Fuller: Model Pastor-Theologian*, by Paul Brewster. *Journal for Baptist Theology and Ministry* 13, no. 1 (2016): 82–83.

Review of *Andrew Fuller and the Evangelical Renewal of Pastoral Theology*, by Keith S. Grant. *The Pacific Journal of Baptist Research* 10, no. 2 (2015): 37–39.

## **Forthcoming Publications**

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### Book

*John Johnson and His Influence: Selected Writings from an Eighteenth-Century Baptist Minister*. Oxford: Centre for Baptist Studies in Oxford University, (under contract).

### Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

"John Gill and the Charge of Hyper-Calvinism: Assessing Contemporary Arguments in Defense of John Gill's Soteriology." *The Southern Baptist Journal of Theology*, (forthcoming).

"Who Was John Johnson? Answering an Important (But Forgotten) Question in Andrew Fuller Research." *Journal of Andrew Fuller Studies*, (forthcoming).

### Contributed Book Chapters

"Baptist Theology in the Age of Enlightenment: Contextualizing the Soteriological Proposals of John Gill and Andrew Fuller" in *Baptists, Gospel and Culture*, ed. William L. Pitts. Macon: Mercer University Press, (forthcoming).

### Book Reviews

Review of *God in Himself: Scripture, Metaphysics, and the Task of Christian Theology*, by Steven J. Duby. *Southeastern Theological Review*, (forthcoming)

## **Leadership and Administrative Experience**

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2017–18: The University of St Andrews  
*Postgraduate Representative for University Enhancement Theme*

2016–18: The University of St Andrews  
*Managing Editor for Roundel, Official Academic Blog of St Mary's College*

- 2016–17: The University of St Andrews  
*School Coordinator for the Academic Skills Project in St Mary's College*
- 2016: The University of St Andrews  
*Elected as a Member of the Postgraduate Committee of St Mary's College*

### **Service to the Profession**

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- 2019-2021: Co-Chair of Evangelicalism in the Long Eighteenth Century Consultation Group of the Evangelical Theological Society
- 2018: Proposed and Organized a session on Eighteenth-Century Theology for the Annual Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society
- 2014–18: External Reviewer for *Eleutheria*

### **Grants and Funding Received**

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- 2015–16: £800 in Research Travel Grants Awarded by the University of St Andrews
- 2016: Half Conference Bursary Awarded by the Ecclesiastical Historical Society
- 2016: Applied for and Received Additional Funding Grant from the University of St Andrews for the Academic Skills Project

### **Fellowship**

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Associate Fellow of Higher Education Academy

### **References**

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