

# CURRICULUM VITAE

## PERSONAL DETAILS

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**NATIONALITY:** Kenyan

**EMPLOYMENT:** Lecturer in the Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies at University of Nairobi.

## ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

2013: Ready to submit my Ph.D thesis which is on Marital Pastoral Counselling at the University of Nairobi.

1990: Graduated with M.A. in Religious Studies at the University of Nairobi. (My thesis was on Pastoral Care and Counselling in the Secondary Schools).

1986: Graduate with B.A. (Upper Second Class Honours at the University of Nairobi .

1979: Passed East African Advanced Certificate in Education (“A” level) as a Private Candidate at Machakos town.

1971: Passed East African Certificate of Education (“O” level) at Kyome Secondary School.

1969: Passed Kenya Junior Secondary Examination (KJSE) at Kangundo “B” Secondary School.

1967: Passed Certificate of Primary Education examination after studying at Ngulini Primary School, Kangundo, Machakos County.

## **PROFESSIONAL TEACHING ACHIEVEMENT**

- 2012: Was trained on proposal writing at the University of Nairobi by University of Nairobi Enterprises and Services Limited (UNES).
- 2007-2013: Have written modules (books) for teaching CRS 102: Sociology of Religion, CRS 304: Theology of the New Testament and CRS 552: Research Methods in Religious Studies.
- 2007: Was trained on how to write Modules for the Unit Courses I teach in the University.
- 2007: Acquired a certificate in Pedagogy at the University of Nairobi.
- 1992: Was promoted to a Lecturer. I teach, supervise and examine M.A. students, B.A. students, Diploma students and Certificate students.
- 1990: Was promoted to a Tutorial Fellow in the Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, University of Nairobi.
- 1989: Was recruited as a Graduate Assistant to teach Religious Studies under supervision.
- 1980-89: Taught for short periods in these Secondary Schools in Machakos County: Masii, Makutano, Mwala mixed, Lema Girls and Kathiani mixed.
- 1974-1980: I taught in primary schools in Makueni and Machakos counties.
- 1985: Was trained as a CRE examiner by the Kenya National Examinations Council (KNEC). I examined CRE paper 2 until 1992. I use the skills to examine University students.
- 1983: Attained Diploma in Education (credit) at Kenyatta University College (then part of University of Nairobi).
- 1972-74: Was trained as a Primary School teacher at Machakos Teachers' College.
- 2012: Helped M.A. students write their Research Project proposals on various aspects of Religion.
- June, 2012: Attended Public Lecture on "Hindu-Christian Morality" by Prof. Sadhu Rangarajan from India at the University of Nairobi.

July 2012: Attended a seminar on “Religious leadership in East Africa among Christian Evangelists and Muslim Reformists by Prof. Abdukader Tayob of the University of Capetown at the University of Nairobi.

### **RESEARCHES AND SEMINARS ATTENDED**

2013: Doing final touches on a research into the quality of Marital Pastoral Counselling offered by AIC and Roman Catholic Church in Machakos and Nairobi Counties.

2007: Was awarded certificate in Voluntary Counselling and Testing (VCT) by National AIDS/STI Control Programme (NASCOP) in conjunction with Amani Counselling Centre and Training Institute.

2005-6: Was involved in preparing a video demonstrating the basic counselling skills.

2004: Had chapter published in Amani Counselling and Training Institute book . The chapter is on Traditional African and Christian approaches to Marital Counselling.

1999-2004: Was the National Secretary of the Kenya Counselling Association (KCA).

2002-2005: Participated in yearly International Counselling Conferences organised by Kenya Association of Professional Counsellors (K.A.P.C.).

2000-2001: Was trained in supervising the practising counsellors and have done it and was promoted to an Accredited supervisor by Kenya Counselling Association.

1999: Was trained in Trauma Counselling and Counselling survivors of the Nairobi Bomb Blast.

1998: Completed internship in counselling at Amani Counselling Centre and Training Institute,

1996: Participated in Inter-Faculty Collaboration Programme Conference on Health behaviour and presented a paper entitled “Towards Effective Utilization of Religion in the Battle Against STD’s and HIV/AIDS.

1994: Was trained to counsel people living with HIV/AIDS.

1990-1993: Prepared a proposal on Marital Pastoral Counselling.

1992-1993: Did a two year Diploma course in Pastoral Counselling at Amani Counselling Centre and Training Institute.

1991: Did a Certificate course on counselling in the Local Church and Community.

### **OTHER EXPERIENCES**

2007 – 2013: Have chaired the Board of Governors at Vyulya Girls Secondary School in Machakos County.

1994 – 2013: Have interviewed, trained and supervised Counsellors.

- Have spoken to Church conferences and preached to Churches.
- Have counselled Traumatized people at Central Bank of Kenya (1999), Machakos County Kenya Breweries, Kenya Revenue Authority.

NB: My academic, teaching, researching and training in counselling have benefited some teachers, administrators, students, counsellors, medical practitioners, religious leaders and the general public.