Curriculum Vitae

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PERSONAL DETAILS

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EDUCATION

Ph. D. Sociology, Loyola University of Chicago, USA, 1982.

M. A. Sociology (first rank), University of Poona, India, 1976

L. Th. (Licentiate in Theology), Jnana-Deepa Vidyapeeth, Pune, India, 1972.

L. Ph. (Licentiate in Philosophy), Jnana-Deepa Vidyapeeth, Pune, India, 1968.

PH. D. DISSERTATION

"Underdevelopment and the Crisis of a Religious Utopia: Implications of Secularization for the Catholic Church in Kerala, India." The dissertation examines the sociological implications of modernization and economic development for religious belief and practice in Kerala, one of fastest developing states of the India.

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Director, St. John's National Academy of Health Sciences, Bangalore, 2014 -

Director, Nirmala-Centre for Educational, Social and Theological Training (NESTT), Muvattupuzha, Kerala, 2013-2014.

Professor of Sociology, Department of Social Sciences, Jnana-Deepa Vidyapeeth, Pontifical Institute of Philosophy and Religion, Pune, India, 1982 – 2013.

VISITING APPOINTMENTS

Visiting Professor, Santa Clara University, San Francisco, USA, Spring Quarter 2002.
Visiting Professor, Loyola University of Chicago, USA, 1984, 1986, and 1990.
Visiting Professor, University of Pune, India, 1991 - 1995
Visiting Professor, St. Mira's College, Pune, India, 1995 to 1998
Visiting Professor, Symbiosis Institute of Management, Pune, 2006-2007
Visiting Professor, Vidyajoyti College of Theology, Delhi, India, 1990 – 1999.
Visiting Professor, Pontifical Oriental Institute, Kottayam, Kerala, India, 1985 - present
Visiting Professor, Marymatha Major Seminary, Trichur, Kerala, 2001- present
Visiting Professor, Pontifical Seminary, Magalapuzha, Alwaye, 2013 -

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Director, NESTT, Pastoral Centre, Diocese of Kothamangalam, Muvattupuzha, Kerala, 2013 -
- *Director, Institute of Pastoral Management (IPM)*, Jnana-Deepa Vidyapeeth, Pune, India, 2008 -2012
- Dean, Faculty of Philosophy, Jnana-Deepa Vidyapeeth, Pune, India, 2001 2006
- *Director of Postgraduate Program*, Faculty of Philosophy, Jnana-Deepa Vidyapeeth, Pune, India, 1999-2001
- *Chairperson of the Doctoral Committee*, Faculty of Philosophy, Jnana-Deepa Vidyapeeth, Pune, India, 1999 2001
- Head, Department of Social Sciences, Jnana-Deepa Vidyapeeth, Pune, 1993-1999; 2009 2011
- Member, Board of Trustees, Jnana-Deepa Vidyapeeth, Pune, India, 1994 1999
- *Member, Academic Senate,* Jnana-Deepa Vidyapeeth, Pune, India, 1997-2006, 2008-2011
- *Member, Executive Committee*, Faculty of Philosophy, Jnana-Deepa Vidyapeeth, Pune, 1993-1999; 2001-2006, 2009-2011.
- Chairperson, Centenary Coordination Committee, Papal Seminary, Pune, India 1991-1993.

MAJOR RESEARCH PROJECTS

Mission and Ministry of the Church in the North-East: A Scientific Survey. The study was conducted in 2012-13 under the auspices of the North-East India Regional Pastoral Conference as a first step towards strategic planning for the future. The study was based on a representative sample of the clergy, the religious and the laity drawn from the fifteen Catholic dioceses in the North East.

- National survey on the effectiveness of the formation of Priests and Religious in India. Conducted in two phases in 2000-2001 and in 2004-2005. Respondents: a probability sample of 2824 candidates and 970 formation personnel. The Study was funded jointly by Jnana-Deepa Vidyapeeth, Pune, India and by MISSIO, Achen, Germany.
- Ministry and Life of the Priests of the Syro-Malabar Church, a Scientific Survey. It was conducted for the Syro-Malabar Bishops Synod (SMBC) in 2006-2008. Respondents: all the diocesan priests of the 26 Syro-Malabar dioceses and a sample of the laity and religious from these dioceses.
- *The World and the Worldview of the Poor: An Empirical Study of the Extent and Dimensions of Rural Poverty in India*. A national sample survey of 860 rural households drawn from the different regions of the country, 1999-2000. The study was funded by a Research Grant from MISSIO, Achen, Germany.
- Inter-religious Conflicts in India: Dynamics and Consequences. Ten different interreligious conflicts that took place in the recent past in different parts of India between Hindus and Muslims, Hindus and Christians, Hindus and Sikhs, Christians and Muslims were analyzed in depth. Data was collected through structured interviews of 6507 respondents who were involved in the conflict, during 1996-1997. The study was funded by a Research Grant from MISSIO, Achen, Germany.
- The Fascination of Religious Fundamentalism: A National Survey of Pentecostal Sects in India. This study, commissioned by the Catholic Bishops Conference of India (CBCI), was conducted in 1995-96. It investigated the reasons why large numbers are leaving the traditional mainlines churches to join Pentecostal sects through structured interviews of a sample of 4538 respondents drawn from 328 different Pentecostal sects from across the country. The study was funded jointly by National Biblical, Catechetical and Liturgical Centre (NBCLC), and the Catholic Bishops Conference of India.
- **Catholic Priesthood in India: A National Survey.** This study, conducted in 1985-1988 at the behest of the Catholic Bishops Conference of India (CBCI), assessed the effectiveness of the ministry of the Catholic Priests in India. The findings of this study served as a basis for the *Charter for Priestly Formation in India* written by the Catholic Bishops Conference of India.
- **Communal Stereotypes among College Students.** This study, conducted in 1991, investigated the stereotypes of a sample of Hindu, Muslim and Christian college students in Pune towards each other's community.
- *Secularization among the Catholic Youth in Kerala*. This study sought to study the relationship between modernization and secularization through a sample survey

among the educated Catholic youth of Kerala, one of the most developed and literate States of the India.

PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANCIES FOR SCIENTIFIC EVALUATION AND STRATEGIC PLANNING

<u>Dioceses</u>

- Archdiocese of Patna and the Diocese of Buxar, Bihar, India.. Scientific Survey of the ministry of the Catholic Church in Patna Buxar and strategic planning for 2020, 2011-2013.
- *Diocese of Kothamangalam, Kerala, India.* Scientific analysis and assessment of the ministry of the diocese, 2013-2014
- *Diocese of Pune, Maharashtra, India*. Scientific analysis and assessment of the ministry of the diocese, 2002-2003.
- *Diocese of Kanjirappally, Kerala, India*. Scientific analysis and assessment of the ministry of the diocese, 2001-2002.

Institutions and Organizations

- Association of the Rectors of Major Seminaries of India (ARMS). Scientific Evaluation of the Priestly Formation in the Major Seminaries and Formation Houses in India, 2012-2013.
- *Suvidya College, Bangalore*. Fransalian Formation in Suvidya College, Bangalore: A scientific assessment, 2011-12.
- **Pontifical Seminary, Carmelgiri**, Alwaye. Effectiveness of Priestly Formation in Carmelgiri, Alwaye. 2010 2011.
- **Good Shepherd Major Seminary, Coimbatore**, Tamil Nadu. Scientific analysis and assessment of priestly formation in Good Shepherd Seminary, 2008.

Religious Congregations

- **Congregation of the Religious of Jesus and Mary, Rome**. Scientific evaluation and formulation of a Global Apostolic Plan for Restructuration and Revitalization. 2014 2015.
- Marymatha Capuchin Province, Andhra. Scientific evaluation of the life and ministry of the Capuchins of the Province. 2013 2014.
- *Daughters of the Heart of Mary (DHM), India*. Scientific evaluation of the life and ministry of the Daughters of the Heart of Mary in India. 2012 2013

- **Religious of Jesus and Mary in India**. Scientific evaluation of the life and ministry of the Congregation in India and strategic planning for future. 2012 2013.
- *Vincentians, Kerala*. Scientific evaluation of the life and ministry of the Vincentians of the Kottayam Province. 2012.
- *Sisters of Charity of Nazareth (SCN), India*. Scientific Assessment of the Life and Ministry of the Sisters of Charity of Nazareth, 2010-2011.
- Assumption Sisters of India. Scientific evaluation of the life and ministry of the Assumption Sisters in India, 2009-2010.
- **Congregation of Divine Word Missionaries, Hyderabad Province**. Scientific analysis and assessment of the ministry of the Province, 2007-2008.
- **Congregation of Divine Word Missionaries, Central Province, Indore**. Scientific analysis and assessment of the ministry of the Province, 2006-2007.
- *Congregation of the Holy Cross*. Scientific analysis and assessment of the ministry of the Province, 2005-2006.
- *Canossian Sisters*, Bombay Province. Scientific analysis and assessment of the ministry of the Province, 2005-2006.
- **Congregation of Carmelite Religious in India (CCR)**. Scientific analysis and assessment of the ministry of the Congregation in India, 2004-2005.
- *Carmelites of Mary Immaculate (CMI),* St. Joseph's Province, Kerala. Scientific analysis and assessment of the ministry of the Province, 2003-2004.
- **Congregation of the Carmelite Sisters of St. Theresa (CSST), India**. Scientific analysis and assessment of the ministry of the Congregation in India, 2003-2004.
- **Congregation of the Sisters of Our Lady of Fatima, India**. Scientific analysis and assessment of the ministry of the Congregation," 1998-99.

AREAS OF INTEREST

Sociology of Religion Research Methods and Statistics Pastoral Management Sociology of Development Indian Social Reality Social Problems in India Social Change Sociology of Knowledge Poverty and Unemployment in Developing Countries Globalization Interface of Sociology and Theology Postmodernism

PUBLICATIONS

<u>Book</u>

Christianity in India: Sociological Investigations. Bangalore: Dharmaram Publications, 2013.

Monographs

Priests in Perspective: Report of a National Survey. Delhi: Catholic Bishops Conference of India, 1987.

Catholic Priesthood in Kerala: A Sociological Investigation. Pune: Jnana-Deepa Vidyapeeth, 1984.

<u>Articles</u>

"Why Didn't You Become You?" *Light of Truth, Vol. 12,* Issue 10, May 16-31, 2021, pp. 1 & 15.

"Bishop Jonas Thaliath's Contribution to St. John's Medical College and Hospital". In *"Let My People Go": Bishop Jonas Thaliath CMI*, edited by Paulachan Kochappilly CMI, Bangalore: Dharmaram Publications, 2020, pp. 45-48.

"Mission of the Consecrated: Ground Realities in India". In *Consecrated Life for a Transformed World: Catholic, Ecumenical and Interreligious Perspectives in a Globalizing Era,* edited by Saju Chackalackal CMI, Bangalore: Dharamaram Publications, 2016, pp. 343-360.

"Religious Life in India. Empirical Investigations". *Asian Journal of Vocation and Formation*, Vol. XXXIX. No. 1. (January-June 2014), 10-24.

"Wayfarer Syndrome." <u>Asian Journal for Priests and Religious</u>, Vol. 58. No. 2 (May 2013), 28-29.

"Religions and Social Harmony." *Asian Journal for Priests and Religious,* Vol. 46. No. 2 (March 2011), 32-37.

"Church 'to be the Change' It Wishes to See in the World." *Light of Truth* (*Sathyadeepam*), Vol. 1/12, June 16-30, 2010.

"Challenges in Priestly Formation in India Today." *Asian Journal for Priests and Religious,* Vol. 55. No. 2 (March 2010), 20-29.

"Challenges in the Formation of Women Religious." Asian Journal for Priests and Religious, Vol. 54. No. 5 (September 2009), 17-25.

"Sanyasinikal: Pariseelanthile Velluvilikal" (Malayalam). *Karunikan,* Vol. 6, No. 07 (July 2009), 26-31.

"Pentacostalism: Flight from Uncertainty to Certainty." In *As in a Mirror: Church in India,* edited by Paul Thelakat, Bombay: St. Paul Publications, 2009, pp.197-206.

"Vaidhikaparisilanam: Velluvilikal" (Malayalam). *Karunikan,* Vol. 6, No. 1 (January 2009), 21-27.

"Catholic Colleges and Social Transformation." *Jnanadeepa, Pune Journal of Religious Studies,* Vol. 11, No. 2. July 2008, pp. 137-151.

"Effectiveness of Priestly Formation in the Syro-Malabar Church: An Empirical Analysis." In *Syro-Malabar Theology in Context,* edited by Mathew Manakkat and Jose Puthenveetil, Kottayam: Oriental Institute of Religious Studies, 2007, pp. 271-295

"The *Parsi* Syndrome of Syrian Christians: An Analysis." *Satyadeepam,* Vol. 2, No. 9. April 2005, pp.1-2

"Himsa: Oru Samoohika Sathra Visakalanam" (Violence: A Sociological Analysis), Jeevadhara (Malayalam Edition), Vol. 34, No. 202, August 2004, 229-250.

"Decline of Vocations among Girls." Satyadeepam, Vol 1, No. 10, April 2004.

"Ozhukkinethire Neenthanulla Vili" (A call to swim against the current). Satyadeepam (Malayalam Weekly), Vol.76, No. 47, July 16.

"Violence in our World: A Social Science Account." *The Living Word: Journal of Philosophy and Theology*, Vol. 109, No. 6, November-December 2003, pp. 274-292.

"Education for Social Change: Imperatives and Dilemmas." All India Association of Catholic Schools Annual, October, 2000, pp. 17-33.

"Rural Poverty in India: An Empirical Study." *Jnanadeepa, Pune Journal of Religious Studies*, Vol. 4, No. 1, January 2001, pp. 149-158.

"Vocation and Formation of Priests and Religious in India: An Empirical Study." Jnanadeepa, Pune Journal of Religious Studies, Vol. 3, No. 2, July 2000, pp. 5-41.

"Pentecostal Churches." In *Indian Christian Directory for the New Millennium* edited by Rashtradeepika, Kottayam, Kerala: Deepika, 2000, pp. 59-60.

"Vaideekarekurichu Aphiprayashoshanam." *Satyadeepam* (Malayalam Weekly), Vol. 72, No. 42, June 9, 1999.

"Socialism: Crisis and Hope." *Jnanadeepa, Pune Journal of Religious Studies*, Vol. 2, No. 1, January 1999, pp. 19-35.

"Indiayile Vargeeyatha: Chila Kandethelukal." *Sathyadeepam*, (Malayalam Weekly), Vol. 71, No. 31, March 18, 1998.

"Communalism in India: An Empirical Investigation." *Jnanadeepa, Pune Journal of Religious Studies*, Vol. 1, No. 1, January 1998, pp. 5-18.

"Communalism in India." *The Examiner,* Vol. 149, No. 4, January 24, 1998, pp. 12-15 and No. 5, January 31, 1998, pp. 12-14.

"Communal Stereotypes and Religiosity: An Empirical Study." In *Dharma of Jesus* edited by Francis X D'sa, Anand: Gujarath Sahitya Prakash, 1997, pp. 349-361.

"Priests and Priestly Formation." *The Diocesan Priest*, Vol. IX, No. 2, December, 1997, pp. 21-36.

"The Challenge of Neo-Pentecostalism." *Vidyajyoti, Journal of Theological Reflection,* Vol. 61, No. 5, November, 1997, pp. 307-320.

"A Survey on Neo-pentecostalism in India." *Catholic India*, February, 1996, pp. 66-79. Reprinted in: *Word and Worship*, May-June, 1996, pp. 81-101, and *Neo-Pentacostalism: A Study*, edited by S. Arulsamy. New Delhi: CCBI Secretariat, 1996, pp. 25-45.

"Penthakosthu Sabhakalilekulla Pravaham." *Sathyadeepam* (Malayalam Weekly), Vol. 69, No. 31. March 13, 1996.

"Issues in Priestly Formation: A Question of Credibility." *Vidyajyoti, Journal of Theological Reflection,* Vol. 58, No. 11, November 1994, pp. 702-715.

"Sociological Approaches to the Study of Religion: Implications for Theology." In *Religious Pluralism* edited by Kuncheria Pathil, Delhi: ICPCK, 1991, pp. 1-26.

"Catholic Priests in India: Reflections on a Survey." *Vidyajyoti, Journal of Theological Reflection,* Vol. LII, No. 8, August 1988, pp. 379-389.

"Perspectives on Underdevelopment." *Jeevadhara,* Vol. XVI, No. 91, 1986, pp. 35-53.

PAPERS PRESENTED AT CONFERENCES

"Institutionalization of Religion: Imperatives and Dilemmas" at the General Assembly of the Religious of Assumption (RA), Jnana Deepa, Pune, 7 February 2023.

"Social Transformation through Education: The Role of Christian Educational Institutions" at the Meeting of the Members of the Xavier Board of Higher Education, Kristu Jayanti College, Bangalore, 10 December 2022.

"Grace-filling Families" at the Major Archiepiscopal Assembly of the Syro-Malankara Church, Trivandrum, Kerala, 23-24, 2019.

"Consecrated Life; Ground Realities in India" at the International Conference on Consecrated Life in a Globalized Era, Dharamaram Vidya Kshetram, Bangalore, 7-9 January 2016.

"Mission and Ministry of the Eparchy of Kothamangalam: A Scientific Survey" at the Eparchial Assembly of the Kothamangalam Diocese, NESTT, Muvattupuzha, Kerala, 19-22 July 2015.

Delivered Convocation Address on "Church in India: Some Significant Trends" at St. Peter's Pontifical Seminary, Bangalore, 1 May 2015.

"Religious Life in India Today: Empirical Investigations" at the Golden Jubilee Assembly of the CRI, Guwahati, 9 November 2013.

"Effectiveness of Priestly Formation in the Major Seminaries and Formation Houses of India: A Scientific Analysis" at the Thirteenth General Body Meeting of the Association of the Rectors of Major Seminaries of India (ARMS), Pune, 6 – 7 November, 2013.

"Mission and Ministry of the Catholic Church in the North East, India" at the North-East Pastoral Conference, Guwahati, 9-12 September 2013.

"Priestly and Missionary Challenges: A Socio-contextual Analysis" at the Mission Seminar of the MCBS Param Prasad Region of Maharashtra, St. Xaviers School, Panchgani, Maharashtra, 19-20 January 2012.

"Nation Building through Education: The Church's Role" at 11th General Body Meeting of the Catholic Council of India (CCI), Renewal Centre, Kochi, 24-27 November 2011.

"Religions in the Service of the Nation" at the Inter-religious Symposium on the occasion of the Birth Centenary of Mother Teresa, Gulati Hall, Pune, 1 October 2010.

Delivered the Keynote Address on "Management Education and Social Transformation" at the inauguration of the MBA programme at the Mar Athanasius College for Advanced Studies, Thiruvalla (MACFAST), 19 October 2009. Delivered the Inaugural Lecture at the St. Joseph's Pontifical Seminary, Aluva, on "Institutionalization and the Challenges of Church Leadership," on the occasion of the inauguration of the new academic year, 1 June 2009.

"Syro-Malabar Church Survey on Priests: Implications for Formation," Conference of the Rectors of the Syro-Malabar Church organized by the Commission for Clergy and Religious of the Syro-Malabar Church, Kakkanad, Cochin, 5 March 2009.

"Formation of Priests and Religious Today: Issues and Imperatives," Conference of SVD Formators of India, Ishvani Kendra, Pune, 12-13 September 2008.

"Ministry and Life of the Priests of the Syro-Malabar Church: A Scientific Survey." Syro-Malabar Bishops Synod, Cochin, Kerala, 19 August 2008.

"Issues and Challenges in Vocation Promotion Today," National Meeting of Vocation Promoters of India organized by the CCBI Commission for Vocations, Seminaries, Clergy and Religious, NBCLC, Bangalore, 20 June 2008.

"The Challenge of Pentecostal Sects." Annual Meeting of the Catholic Regional Council, Delhi Region, New Delhi, 24 March 2007.

"Recalibrating Seminary Formation to the Shifting Demographic Profile of Vocations." Joint Meeting of the Syro-Malabar Synodal Commissions of Bishops for Major Seminaries and the Rectors and Presidents of Major Seminaries at St. Joseph's Pontifical Seminary, Aluva, Kerala, 21 March 2007.

"Catholic Colleges and Social Transformation." *National Conference on Church and Higher Education in India* organized by Stella Maris College (Autonomous), Chennai, 23-24 February 2007.

"Priestly Formation in the Syro-Malabar Church: Problems and Prospects." Symposium on Syro-Malabar Theology in Context, organized by Paurastya Vidyapitham, Vadavathoor Kottayam, Kerala, 21-24 January 2007.

"Proliferation of Sects: An Empirical Analysis." Conference of Diocesan Priests of India (CDPI) organized by the Catholic Conference of the Bishops of India (CCBI) at Edakochi, Kerala, 11 January 2007.

"Challenges in the Formation of Priests and Religious in India: Presentation of the Findings of Two Nation-wide Surveys." Annual meeting of the Association of the Rectors of the Major Seminaries (ARMS) of India, New Delhi, 13-14 November 2006.

"Sociology of Management." Special Lecture Series. Symbiosis Institute of Management, Pune, 11 July 2006.

"Violence and the Sacred: A Socio-theological Exploration of the Ambiguity in Religion." Bishop Basil D'Souza Memorial Lecture. St. Joseph's Seminary, Mangalore, 14 January, 2005.

"The Social Roots of Violence: A Sociological Analysis." Fr. Zacharias Memorial Lecture. Pontifical Institute of Philosophy and Theology, Aluva, Kerala, November 15, 2003. "School as an Agent of Social Change." XXXIV National Convention of All India Association of Catholic Schools, Kochi, Kerala, October 25-29, 2000.

"Priestly Formation: Contemporary Challenges." Meeting of the Jesuit Formators of South-East Asia, Bombay, September 26-29, 2000.

"The World and the World View of the Poor in India." International Symposium on *Unemployment and Poverty*, Rome, Sept. 6 - 8, 2000.

"Vocation and Formation: Dynamics and Dilemmas." Keynote address at the Seminar on *Vocation and Formation* at St. Joseph's Pontifical Seminary, Aluva, Kerala, May 25-27, 1999.

"Communal Conflicts in India: An Analysis." International Seminar on *Mission in Asia in Third Millennium* at Sanata Dharma University, Yogyakarta, Indonesia, April 14-7, 1999.

"Experiments in Interfacing Theology and Social Sciences." XIX General Assembly of the International Federation of Catholic Universities, Santiago, Chile, October 21-25, 1997.

"Role of Social Sciences in Theologizing in Asia". Paper presented at the opening of *Vidya Deep*, the new regional seminary of Gujarath, July 1997.

"Christianity in Asia: the Challenges Ahead." Paper presented at *Sanata Dharma University, Yogyakarta, Indonesia,* April 1997.

"Future of Priestly Formation in India." *Inter-Seminary Staff Colloquium of Tamil Nadu*, Madurai, February 18-19, 1997.

"Challenge of the Sects." *Conference of the Catholic Bishops of India (CCBI),* Mangalore, India, January 8-12, 1997.

"Rise of Neo-Pentecostalism: Implications for the Catholic Church in India." *National Consultation on Pentecostal Sects,* NBCLC, Bangalore, India, December 6-8, 1996.

"Neo-Pentecostalism in India: Report of a National Survey." *General Assembly of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of India,* Trivandrum, Kerala, India, February 13-21, 1995.

"Secularization: Myth or Reality." *International Conference of the New Ecumenical Research Association*, New Delhi, India, February 1-7, 1993.

"Communal Stereotypes among the College Students: An Empirical Study." General Assembly of World Religions, Seoul, Korea, August 24-31, 1992. "Seminary Formation: Sociological Perspectives." *Meeting of the Rectors of Major Seminaries in India*, De Nobili College. Pune, India, September 6, 1991.

"Sociology and Theology," *Annual Meeting of the Indian Theological Association*, Aluva, Kerala, India, December 18-21, 1988.

"Catholic Priests in India: Report of a National Survey, *General Assembly of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of India*, Kottayam, Kerala, India, April, 1988.

"Challenges of Priestly Formation in India." *National Consultation on Priestly Formation*, Poonamalee, Madras, India, October 20-25, 1987.

Organized and chaired the session on "Third World Poverty and the World Capitalist System." XI World Congress of Sociology, Delhi, August 18-22, 1986.

"Problems in the Sociological Study of Religion." *Seminar on Sociology of Religion*, St. Mira's College, Pune, India, December 17, 1984.

"Clergy and Lay Delegate Perceptions in a Middle Level Denominational Decision Unit" with Ross P. Scherer. Annual Meeting of the *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion* in Conjunction with *Religious Research Association*, Chicago, October 28 - 30, 1977.
