

Rev. Raymond C. Aldred

Assistant Professor of Theology
Ambrose Seminary/Ambrose University

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- Personal** Born January 23, 1960, in Grande Prairie, AB
Treaty 8 First Nation Person
Married to Elaine Aldred; two daughters, two sons
- Skills** Class 3 Alberta Driver's License
Indigenous Story Teller
Author
On-line course development and delivery
- Interests** Hunting and Fishing
Run 15-20 miles per week
Traditional Indigenous music and dance

Education

Wycliffe College at TST ThD program in progress
London School of Theology Ph.D. program
September 2004 – October 2013 unfinished
Canadian Theology Seminary M.Div. highest honours, 2000
Canadian Bible College B.TH. highest honours, 1992

Employment

Assistant Professor of Theology
Ambrose Seminary/Ambrose University 2007-present

My People International: Family Programs 2004-present
Facilitate training of aboriginal leaders

Adjunct Professor, North American Institute for Indigenous
Theological Studies: Theology 2011-Present

Circle Drive Alliance Church Aboriginal Consultant, November
2012-Present

Rocky Mountain Bible College Fall 2013, Fall 2010
Adjunct professor
Canadian aboriginal cultures

Visiting Professor July 2014, July, 2006, 2014
Vancouver School of Theology: Native Consortium, Vancouver,
BC

Adjunct Professor August, 2005
William Catherine Booth College, Winnipeg, MB

Adjunct Professor February, 2005
Canadian Bible College, Calgary, AB

Director 1996 – 2004
First Nations Alliance Churches of Canada

Adjunct Professor Winter 2001
Advanced Homiletics
Canadian Bible College, Regina, SK

Adjunct Professor 2000 – 2001
Homiletics, Public Speaking
Canadian Bible College, Regina, SK

Adjunct Professor Fall 1998
Pastoral Methods in a First Nations Context
Canadian Bible College, Regina, SK

Adjunct Professor Winter, 1997
Lifestyle Evangelism
Canadian Bible College, Regina, SK

Senior Pastor 1991-1998
Ordination Sustained by Christian and Missionary Alliance 1995-
Present
Regina First Nations Alliance Church

Awards

Wycliffe College Tuition Bursary 2014

Made Member of the Honours Society of
Canadian Theological Seminary. 2000.

Made Member of Delta Epsilon Chi, the Honours Society of the
Association for Biblical Higher Education. 1992

Bill Antaya Bursary for First Nations Student

Grants

Forum for Theological Extension Doctoral Fellowship 2014

LST Research Grant 2005 - 2006
Asbury Theological Seminary

World Vision Grant for First Nations Initiative 2004

World Vision Grant for Marriage Initiative 2003

Lectures & Addresses

Keynote Speaker: "Is there an Indigenous Christian Spirituality" at
Concordia University, Montreal, Quebec, November 17, 2014.

Keynote Speaker: "Stories from the Edge" Chair of Religious
Studies, University of Calgary, November 3-4, 2014.

Keynote Speaker: "God Keep our Land" at Vision Network Canada
Biannual Conference, Guelph, Ontario, May1-2, 2014.

Visiting professor: "Aboriginal Spirituality and the classroom"
Mount Royal University, Calgary, Alberta, March 27, 2014.

Keynote Speaker: Briercrest Schools Aboriginal Awareness Week,
Briercrest College and Seminary, Saskatchewan, March 12-13,
2014.

Keynote Speaker: YEG Justice Conference, Edmonton Alberta,
November 15-16, 2013

Panel Member Christian Higher Education Conference, Winnipeg,
MB, May 28-29, 2013

“Freedom” at *A Dialogue on the Role of Religion and Spirituality in
the Aboriginal Worldview*, at Waterloo Lutheran Seminary,
Waterloo, ON, November 12, 2012.

Panel Member, Canadian Theological Society, Waterloo Seminary,
May 28, 2012.

Platform Lecture: First Nations Spirituality, Concordia Seminary,
Edmonton, AB, February 23, 2012.

Keynote Speaker: Unbound Conference, Wycliffe Bible Translators
of Canada, Ambrose University College, May 7, 2011.

Keynote Speaker: George Fox University College Theology of the
Land Conference, Newberg, OR, February 7-9, 2011

Keynote Speaker: McGill Presbyterian College conference on
Aboriginal theology, Montreal, QC, January 24-25, 2011

Dialogue: Affirming Indigenous Culture in Worship
Lausanne World Conference on Evangelism, Cape Town, South
Africa, October 23, 2010

Platform Lecture: Mandate for the Nations
Perspective on Mission Course, Sylvan Lake, Alberta, October 5,
2010

Platform Lecture: Mandate for the Nations
Perspective on Mission Course, May 4, 2010

Platform Lecture, Churches' Council on Theological Education in
Canada: Doing Theology in a Fair Country, Doing Aboriginal
Theology, The University of Winnipeg, May 5, 2010.

Keynote English Speaker, Spring Retreat
Winnipeg Chinese Alliance, May 20-21, 2006

Platform Lecture, Street Level Conference
Ottawa, ON, March 31, 2006

Keynote Speaker, Mennonite Church Saskatchewan Conference
Saskatoon, SK, February 24, 25, 2006

Platform Lecture, Church Planters Congress
Toronto, ON, November 18, 2006

Keynote Lecture Veritas Forum
Western University, London, ON, November 9, 2005

Platform Lecture, Many Nations One Voice
Tulsa, OK, November 4, 2005

Platform Lecture, Many Nations One Voice Conference
Muskogee, OK, September 16, 2005

Keynote Lecture, Joint Conference Mennonite Conference USA
Charlotte, North Carolina, July 9, 2005.

Keynote Speaker, Intervarsity Staff Retreat
Toronto, ON, December 2 – 4, 2004

Platform Lecture, Many Nations One Voice Conference
Portland, Oregon, November 19, 2004

Platform Lecture
Seattle Pacific University, November 9, 2004

Platform Lecture,
Azusa Pacific University, Los Angeles, CA, October 29, 2004

Keynote Speaker, Intervarsity Link Staff Retreat
Bear Trap Ranch, Colorado, October 14-16, 2004

Keynote Lecture, Urbana Student Mission Conference
Urbana, Illinois, December 29, 2003

Academic Lectures

Asbury Theological Seminary
Briercrest Seminary
Canadian Bible College
Canadian Theological Seminary
Columbia Bible College, Abbotsford, British Columbia
Concordia Seminary, Edmonton, Alberta
Concordia University, Montreal, Quebec
E. Stanley Jones School of World Missions
Mount Royal University, Calgary, Alberta
Prairie Bible College
Providence Bible College
Vancouver School of Theology
University of Calgary
Waterloo Lutheran Seminary
William Catherine Booth College

Public Seminars

Passing the Mantle, Hummingbird Ministries, Vancouver, British Columbia, July 11-12, 2014.

Inenimowin Circle Training, Kalispell, Montana, May 18-22, 2014.

Indigenous Ministry in Canada, Visions Church conference, Guelph, Ontario, May 1-2, 2014.

Indigenous and Christian University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, March 14, 2014.

Mini-Inenimowin, Circle Drive Alliance Church, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, August 23-15, 2013

Indigenous Awareness in preparation of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission Willoughby Christian Reformed Church, Langley, British Columbia, June 15, 16, 2013.

Preparing for the Truth and Reconciliation Commission at Grandview Baptist Church, Vancouver, BC, February 9-10, 2013.

God and Evil, Legacy Youth Conference, Ambrose University College, Calgary, AB, March 16, 2013.

Nestooaak: First Nations Identity, River Park Community Church, Calgary, AB, March 15, 2013.

Inenimowin Small Group Training, Sundry, AB, October 22-25, 2012.

Perspectives on Missions: Mandate for the Nations, First Alliance, Calgary, AB, September 29, 2012.

Perspectives on Missions: Mandate for the Nations, Ambrose University College, May 1, 2012

Nestooaak: Aboriginal Spirituality, Vancouver, BC, January 21, 2012.

Perspectives on Missions: Mandate for the Nations, Brentwood Baptist Church, September, 2011.

Inenimowin one week small group leadership training for those working with abused adults. Sundry, AB 2011.

Nestooaak (Building Capacity) "Syncretism, what it is and what it isn't" and "Faith and Culture." Stoney Plain, AB October, 2011.

Native Consortium Lectures, “Narrative and Interpretation”
Vancouver School of Theology, Vancouver, BC, July 13, 2006

Listening Circle, “The Gospel as a First Thing”
Mennonite Church Canada, Abbotsford, BC, March 28. 29, 2006

Mennonite Church Manitoba, “Leadership in a First Nations
Context”
Winnipeg, Manitoba, March 17, 18, 2006

Missionfest, “Restorative Justice, the Journey”
Vancouver, BC, January 28, 2006

Veritis Forum, “Gospel as a First Thing”
Western University, London, ON, November 9, 2005

Veritis Forum, “Aboriginal Sentencing Circles: Seeking Justice”
McLaughlin College, York University, Toronto, ON
November 10, 2005

Classes of the Toronto Area CRC, “Unity in Diversity”
Christian Reformed Church, Toronto, ON October 2004

Suicide Prevention Seminar: Embracing Life
Thunderbay, ON, March 24-26, 2004

Christ, Kingdom, and Culture, “Native Christianity or Caricature?”
Multnomah Biblical Seminary, Portland, Oregon, May, 2003

International Conference on Christianity and Native Cultures, “The
Resurrection of Story” St. Mary’s College, Notre Dame University,
Indiana, September 2002

Service

Board Member
First Nations Alliance Churches of Canada
2013-present

Board Member
Siloam Mission
2012-Present

Member of Aboriginal Recruitment Initiative for Campus Alberta
2012-Present

Advisory Board Member
Post-colonial Round Table: American Academy of Religion 2012-
present

Chair Person
Indigenous Pathways
My People International/North American Institute of Indigenous
Theological Studies 2010-present

Chairperson
Aboriginal Ministries Council
Evangelical Fellowship of Canada 2003-2012

Contributing Editor: *Cultural Encounters: A Journal for the
Theology of Culture*, 2004 – present

Board Member and Treasurer 2006 - 2007
First Nations Community Church, Winnipeg, MB

Coordinator
First Nations Marriage Encounter 2002-present

Board Member 2002 – present
North American Institute for Indigenous Theological Studies

Chairperson 1997-2003
Aboriginal Task Force of the Evangelical Fellowship of Canada

Advisory Board 1991-1996
First Nations Alliance Churches of Canada Committee

Courses Taught

Advanced Hermeneutics
Canadian Aboriginal Cultures
Creation, Fall, and Redemption
Church and its Future
Christianity and Culture
Christian Ethics
Christian Faith
Christian Faith online
Christology (Indigenous Studies)
Essentials of Theology
God and Evil
Homiletics
Homiletics in a First Nations Context
Introduction to the Christian Faith
Life-style Evangelism in a First Nations Context
Pastoral Methods in a First Nations Context
Resurrection of Story
Public Speaking
Perspectives: Mandate for the Nations
Shame, Grace and Spirituality Online

Theology I: God and Word
Theology II: Spirit and Church
Theology of Missions
Theology of the Gospel of John

As well as courses and seminars for local churches too numerous to detail

Consultant

First Nations identity and spirituality as related to Church planning, Thinking Shrewdly conference, Guelph, Ontario, May 1-2, 2014.

Aboriginal Awareness training for Siloam Mission, Winnipeg, MB, October, 2013

Appreciative Inquiry and Ministry Evaluation of the Indian Metis Christian Fellowship, Regina, SK, April 19-20, 2013.

Appreciative Inquiry and Ministry Evaluation of the Indian Family Centre, Winnipeg, MB, April 16-18, 2013.

Aboriginal Awareness training for the Mustard Seed, Calgary, AB, October 10, 2012.

Aboriginal Awareness training for the Mustard Seed, Edmonton, AB September 14, 2012.

Dialogue with health care workers on First Nations issues at the Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN, June 12, 2013.

Aboriginal Awareness training for the Mustard Seed, Calgary, AB, May 10, 2012.

North American Lutheran Church: Mission to First Peoples, Canmore, AB, April 18, 2012.

Youth For Christ on working with First Peoples in Canada, Calgary, AB, April 2, 2012

Indigenous Theological Education for the Episcopal Church, San Diego, CA, February 10-12, 2012

First Nations Alliance Churches of Canada: First Nations Theological Education, Saskatoon, SK, January 2012.

Fort McMurray Native Alliance Fellowship, Fort McMurray, Alberta, October 1-3, 2010
“Making the Church more indigenous friendly”

Anglican Diocese of Northern British Columbia, Northern
Saskatchewan, Northwest Territories, Yukon and the Episcopal
Diocese of Alaska, August 2006
“An alternative approach to the training of Native Clergy”

Consultant, First Nations Ministry Spring 2000
Christian Reformed Church, Edmonton, AB

Community Service

Chair of the Board 2012-Present
North American Institute of Indigenous Theological Educations

Board Member 2013-Present
First Nations Alliance Churches of Canada

Board Member 2012-Present
Siloam Mission, Winnipeg, MB, Canada.

Story Teller at Kids Culture Camp, Pioneer Camp, Sundry, AB,
August, 2012.

Chair of the Board 2000-2011
Aboriginal Ministries Council of The Evangelical Fellowship of
Canada

Board Member 2001-2005
South Saskatchewan Independent Living Cooperative

Publications

Articles

“From Charity to Justice” in *Direction* published by Canadian Mennonite University, Winnipeg,
Manitoba. (Upcoming issue, 2015).

“Idle No More: a complex issue” in *Christian Week* (Friday, January 11, 2013).

“The *Faith Today* interview with Ray Aldred” in *Faith Today* (March/April, 2013).

“Theology of Reconciliation” in *Faith Today* published by Evangelical Fellowship of Canada.

“Building Pedagogical Community in the Classroom” in *Journal of Christian Higher Education*, co-
authored with Arch Wong, Peter Ralph, Charlie Cook, Rick Love, Rod Remin.

“A Biblical Model for Reconciliation with Natives” in *Citizens for Public Justice*, 1998.

“A Response to Volume 3: Gathering Strength, of the Royal Commission of Aboriginal People” in ,
Evangelical Fellowship of Canada, 2000.

Book Sections

“First Nations and Newcomers: Treaty” in *Strangers in the World: Multi-Religious Reflections on Immigration*, edited by Hussam S. Timani, Allen G. Jorgenson, and Alexander Y. Hwang (Fortress Press, 2015)

“Healthy leadership and power differences in the postcolonial community: A reflection” in *The Great Awakening: Post-colonial Evangelicalism* (Intervarsity, 2014)

“Freedom” in *Prophetic Evangelicals* ed. Bruce Benson, Malinda Berry, and Peter Heltzel (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans)2012.

References

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