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Place of Birth: Trinidad, West Indies.

Higher Education:

1971: B.A. Yale University, Religious Studies with general honors and high departmental honors. Minor in Philosophy.
Seven courses were taken in the department of philosophy.
Subject of BA thesis: Rudolph Boltzmann's Historiography.

Award: 1971-1972: Winner of a Carnegie Teaching Fellowship to teach undergraduates at Yale University.

1977: M.A. Harvard University, The Study of Religion (From the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences). Area of specialization: Modern philosophical theology and the influence of Kant on modern theology.

1986: Ph.D. Harvard University, The Study of Religion, (The PhD from Harvard was obtained from the Committee on the Study of Religion, an interdisciplinary committee drawn from several faculties of the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences.) My special field was the history of Western thought, with special emphasis on modern European philosophical and theological developments since the 17th century.

Course work for the PhD at Harvard University: Among courses taken for a grade in the doctoral program at Harvard: Social and Intellectual History of the 19th Century (Professor H. Stuart Hughes), Sixteenth Century Social and Intellectual History (Professor Myron Gilmore), Kant, Coleridge and Schleiermacher (Professor Richard R. Niebuhr), Between Kant and Hegel (Professor Dieter Henrich of the University of Munich), Hegel (Dieter Henrich), Hegel, Kierkegaard, and Barth (Professor G. D. Kaufman and George Rupp), Schleiermacher and Kant (G.D. Kaufman), Karl Barth (a one-semester reading seminar/tutorial with Arthur McGill) The Theory of Knowledge in John Henry Newman: An Inquiry into The Grammar of Assent (A one-semester reading seminar/tutorial with Arthur McGill), Platonism in Clement Alexandria, Origen and Augustine (A one-semester reading seminar/tutorial with Arthur McGill), Several seminars (required doctoral colloquium, mostly on Kant and modern theology) with Richard Niebuhr, Gordon Kaufman and George Rupp, former Columbia University president.

Doctoral Dissertation title: **“Jonathan Edwards and the Idea of Divine Glory: His Foundational Trinitarianism and its Ecclesial Import.”** 311 pages.

Dissertation Adviser: Professor Richard Reinhold Niebuhr, Hollis Professor of Divinity, Harvard University. Dissertation was nominated by the examining committee, which included Alan Heimert, Master of Eliot House and former chairman of the English Department, for publication in the Harvard Dissertation Series for outstanding dissertations in the study of Religion. Since 2001, the dissertation has been discussed in several books. A recent book devoted a nine-page analysis to the dissertation. See Steven Studebaker, Jonathan Edwards' Social Augustinian Trinitarianism in Historical and Contemporary Perspectives (Gorgias Studies in Philosophy and Theology), pp. 54-62, Gorgias Press, NJ., 2008. Available on Amazon.com at http://www.amazon.com/Augustinian-Trinitarianism-Historical-Contemporary-Perspectives/dp/1593338465/ref=sr_1_1?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1314563129&sr=1-1#reader_1593338465.

The dissertation is also discussed in several pages in Michael McClymond and Gerald McDermott, The Theology of Jonathan Edwards. Oxford University Press, 2012. Hardcover: 784 pages.

It is also discussed in other books by Oxford University Press, most recently, The Oxford Handbook of the Trinity.

Research and Publication Project:

From 2005- 2014, I worked on a publication project with BBI: I was responsible for making selections and writing introductions for a five -volume Russian edition of Karl Barth's *Kirchliche Dogmatik*. Four of the five volumes have been published. The original German text and English translation of Karl Barth were published in thirteen volumes. Bibleysko-Bogoslovsky Institut, Moscow, is publishing selections from the 13 volumes in 5 volumes. This Russian edition is being published in a high quality hardback edition.

BBI, Bibleysko Bogoslovsky Institut, (Библейско-богословский институт св. апостола Андрея), a Russian publisher of academic books, has requested that I write a book on Philosophy and Theology in Karl Barth's Church Dogmatics.

Selected Publications.

Krister Sairsingh, *Ярослав Пеликан об истории, догме и истине: жизнь с осознанием конфликта между верой и историей*. Журнал "Страницы", Vol. 18: 1, 2014, pp. 132-39. "Jaroslav Pelikan on History, Dogma and Truth: Living with the tension between Faith and History." This article is the text of a paper presented at a conference in Moscow on December 12, 2013, on the life and legacy of Jaroslav Pelikan. Link to the table of contents in which this article is listed:

http://standrews.ru/assets/files/Books/Stranici/Stranici-iz-Pages_18-1_Block.pdf

Krister Sairsingh, *Ложь и уклонение от истины: Богословие греха и размышления о миссии церкви и спасении у Карла Барта в «Церковной догматике» IV/3*. Журнал "Страницы", vol. 17: 2, 2013, pp. 200-229. "Falsehood and the Evasion of Truth: Karl Barth's Theology of Sin with Reflections on the Mission of the Church and Salvation in Church Dogmatics IV/3." Link to the journal and table of contents: [http://standrews.ru/assets/files/Pages/Pages_Contents_2013\(2\).pdf](http://standrews.ru/assets/files/Pages/Pages_Contents_2013(2).pdf)

Krister Sairsingh, Карл Барт, ЦЕРКОВНАЯ ДОГМАТИКА. Том 4. *Introduction to Karl Barth, Church Dogmatics*, Russian edition, vol. 4, vi-xxi. Bibleysko Bogoslovsky Institut, (Библейско-богословский институт св. апостола Андрея, 2014) Published in the book series: Contemporary Theology, Moscow, 2014 (16- page introduction on Karl Barth's Theology of the Trinity by Krister Sairsingh.) Link to the publisher's catalogue (see the third item when scrolling down) :

http://standrews.ru/assets/files/Books/Knigi-vne-serii/BBI_Katalog2014-2015_new.pdf

Krister Sairsingh, Карл Барт, ЦЕРКОВНАЯ ДОГМАТИКА. Том 3. *Introduction to Karl Barth, Church Dogmatics*, vol. 3, vii-xliv Bibleysko Bogoslovsky Institut, (Библейско-богословский институт св. апостола Андрея, 2014). Published in the book series: Contemporary Theology, Moscow, 2014 (38 – page introduction by Krister Sairsingh.) Link to the publisher's catalogue (see the third item when scrolling down) : http://standrews.ru/assets/files/Books/Knigi-vne-serii/BBI_Katalog2014-2015_new.pdf

Krister Sairsingh, *Антропология Карла Барта и его концепция зла* in *Богословие личности*, pp. 249-269. Chapter in a book *edited by. A. Bodrov and M. Tolstoluzhenko. Series* (Библейско-богословский институт св. апостола Андрея, 2013) "*Modern Theology» ISBN 978-5-89647-302-2 Volume viii + 271 pp., Hardcover*

Krister Sairsingh, Карл Барт , ЦЕРКОВНАЯ ДОГМАТИКА. Том 2. *Introduction to Karl Barth, Church Dogmatics*, Russian edition, vol. 2, vii-xxx. Bibleysko Bogoslovsky Institut, Moscow, 2011 (23 – page introduction by Krister Sairsingh.) Link to the publisher's catalogue (see the third item when scrolling down) : http://standrews.ru/assets/files/Books/Knigi-vne-serii/BBI_Katalog2014-2015_new.pdf

Krister Sairsingh, Карл Барт , ЦЕРКОВНАЯ ДОГМАТИКА. Том 1. *Introduction to Karl Barth, Church Dogmatics*, Russian edition, vol. 1, vi-xxiii. Bibleysko Bogoslovsky Institut, Moscow, 2007 (17-page introduction by Sairsingh.) Link to the publisher's catalogue (see the third item when scrolling down) : http://standrews.ru/assets/files/Books/Knigi-vne-serii/BBI_Katalog2014-2015_new.pdf

Krister Sairsingh, "Karl Barth's Anthropology and his Conception of Evil." **Stranitsy: Journal of Theology, Culture and Education**. 343-362, Vol. 14:3, 2010. Bibliysko Bogoslovsky Institut, Moscow.

Krister Sairsingh, "Jonathan Edwards as Philosopher and Churchman." **Dialog**. Academic Methodological Journal, volume 2, 2006. Journal of the Russian American Institute (pp. 199-219). Published in Russian.

Krister Sairsingh, Карл Барт, ВОЛЬФГАНГ АМАДЕЙ МОЦАРТ. Introduction to Karl Barth's Writings on Mozart. Bibliysko Bogoslovsky Institut, pp. 7-12, Moscow, 2006 (paperback edition). Link to the publisher's catalogue (see the third item when scrolling down) :
http://standrews.ru/assets/files/Books/Knigi-vne-serii/BBI_Katalog2014-2015_new.pdf

Krister Sairsingh, Карл Барт, ПОСЛАНИЕ К РИМЛЯНАМ. Introduction to Karl Barth's **Commentary on The Epistle to the Romans**, xi-xxvii. This is an introduction to the first Russian translation (550 pages) of Karl Barth's Commentary on Saint Paul's Epistle to the Romans, first published in German in 1918. Bibliysko Bogoslovsky Institut, Moscow, 2004 (hardback edition). Link to a picture of the book from the first page of publisher's catalogue: http://standrews.ru/assets/files/Books/Knigi-vne-serii/BBI_Katalog2014-2015_new.pdf

Krister Sairsingh, **The Intellectual History of Europe**. A Reader in 2 volumes. Selected by Krister Sairsingh. The State University Higher School of Economics, Moscow. 2004.

Krister Sairsingh, "The Poverty Paradox." **World Magazine**. September 20, 2003.

Krister Sairsingh, "Religious Pluralism and the Dogma of the Incarnation," **Stranitsy: Journal of Theology, Culture and Education**, pp. 229-250, vol. 6: 2, 2001. Published in Russian.

Krister Sairsingh, "Christ and Karma," **Finding God at Harvard**, edited by Kelly Monroe. (HarperCollins/Zondervan, 1996, pp. 180-189). This chapter was also published in Russian in Stranitsy, vol. 1:2, 1996, pp. 43-56.

Krister Sairsingh, "Introduction to Karl Barth's Anthropology." **Stranitsy: Journal of Theology, Culture and Education**, vol. 1: 1, 1996.

Visiting Lectureships and Conference talks.

Ярослав Пеликан об истории, догме и истине: жить с осознанием конфликта между верой и историей. "Jaroslav Pelikan on History, Dogma and Truth: Living with the tension between Faith and History," a paper presented at a conference in Moscow on December 12, 2013 on the life and legacy of Jaroslav Pelikan. Link to the journal in which it is published and table of contents:
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February 2006. "The Quest For Truth." The **Veritas Forum**, Opening Lecture, University of Minnesota. (320 students and faculty attended this lecture).

January 2006. "Truth in a Consumer Culture. How to Understand the Debate over Religious Pluralism." The Areopagus Forum Lecture, Carleton College, Northfield, Minnesota.

October 2005. "The Merchant Class and the Promotion of Culture and the Arts in 19th Century Russia." Opening plenary session lecture at The Performance Theatre, Oslo, Norway. A conference for European business executives and members of the Norwegian Government.

June 2000. "A Critique of Contemporary Theologies of Religious Pluralism." Plenary session address at God and the Academy: A conference for six hundred university professors held at Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta. A revised version of this was published in the journal **Stranitsy**.

April 1997. "Religious Pluralism, Cultural Relativism and Christian Faith: The Logical Status of Christian Belief in a Multicultural World." The Annual Presidential Lecture, Eastern Nazarene College, Quincy, MA.

April 1992. "Jonathan Edwards as Philosopher & Churchman". The Annual Jonathan Edwards Lecture to the Faculty and Honor Society of the Andover Newton Theological College, Newton, Massachusetts. (This lecture was scheduled for publication in the Andover-Newton Quarterly but the journal ceased publication shortly after the lecture was accepted for publication. A revised version was published in Russian in Dialog, 2007.)

March 1990. "The Recovery of Belief." The Finch Lectures at High Point University, High Point, North Carolina.

University Teaching.

2016-2018. During the first semester of 2016, 2017, and 2018, I taught a required course in the history of philosophy at the HSE for all first year students. These students are enrolled in the double degree program in International Relations with the University of London International Programs. I gave all the lectures and taught all four of the seminars with about 35 students in each seminar.

2003--- Lecturer at the International College of Economics and Finance, HSE University.

1998-2010. Professor of the philosophy of religion, theology and Christian ethics at RAI, the Russian American Institute, Moscow.

1995-2003. Lecturer in Asian religions, comparative anthropology, the philosophy of religion and modern theology at Bibliyevsko Bogoslovsky Institut, Moscow.

1994-1997. Lecturer in modern theology, Medieval theology, and Hinduism and Buddhism at the Alexander Men Open University, Moscow.

1993-1995: Lecturer in Hinduism and 19th and 20th century European theology at the Russian State University of the Humanities, Moscow.

Other Employment:

1985 -1993: Appointed by the Harvard University Faculty of Arts and Sciences as Chaplain to Graduate Students in the Harvard University Memorial Church.

1990-1993: Served as a member of the Board of Freshman Advisers at Harvard College while on the staff of the Memorial Church.

1979- 1983: Assistant to Robert Shenton, Secretary of the Harvard University Corporation (part-time).

1979 - 1983: Librarian of the Robbins Library of Philosophy, Harvard University (part-time).

1977--1981: Research Assistant to Professor Michael Mandelbaum for his two books on The Nuclear Revolution for Cambridge University Press (part-time).

1973-1974: Teaching Fellow in Modern Theology at Harvard Divinity School.

1971-1972. Carnegie Teaching Fellow in the Department of Religious Studies, Yale University.