

## **Christopher Beck, Ph.D.**

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### **ACADEMIC TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

**Chair—Communication Department** **1998-Present**  
**Baptist Bible College, Springfield, MO**

Oversee the budgetary, academic, and personnel concerns related to the Communication Department as per the administration of the college. Develop curriculum proposals for the Communication Department. Serve as forensics director for award-winning Debate Squad. Maintain full-time teaching schedule each semester, including courses such as Argumentation and Debate, Public Speaking, and Homiletics. Approve and develop new offerings for course catalogue. Serve on various committees as directed by the administration. Oversee outcomes assessment for department. Oversee Communication Department Graduate Assistant.

**Chair—Natural and Social Science Department** **2008-Present**  
**Baptist Bible College, Springfield, MO**

Oversee the budgetary, academic, and personnel concerns related to the Natural and Social Science Department as per the administration of the college. Develop curriculum proposals for the department. Maintain full-time teaching schedule each semester. Approve and develop new offerings for course catalogue. Serve on various committees as directed by the administration. Oversee outcomes assessment for department.

**Professor—Communication Department** **1991-1998**  
**Baptist Bible College, Springfield, MO**

Organized and coached Baptist Bible College Debate Squad. Taught 12-14 hours per semester. Served on committees as directed by the Academic Dean

### **ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL AND/OR RELATED EXPERIENCE**

**Pastor** **2000-Present**  
**West Republic Baptist Church, Republic, MO**

Prepare advertisements, news releases, and other communication for outreach and ministry use. Prepare weekly sermons and lessons. Organize, plan, and execute outreach ministries, including Good News Clubs in two different public school districts. Win souls to Christ. Minister to congregation members. Implement and oversee the church's world-wide outreach via missions month and faith promise offerings. Work with board members to see that church continues to carry out its purposes.

**White House Press Advance Team Volunteer** **Events in 2004/2006**  
**Missouri State University (SMSU), Springfield, MO**

Worked with White House Press Advance Team members for four events with President George W. Bush (2004 Election rallies in Springfield, Missouri and Panama City, Florida, and at the rally following the St. Louis Presidential Debate held in Ballwin, Missouri). In addition, worked with the White House Press Advance Team at a Fall 2006 Election rally (for U. S. Senate Candidate Jim Talent-R) at which President Bush was the featured speaker. Fielded phone calls in the White House Press Advance Office. Oversaw media credentialing. Worked with "flop-ins" and "flop-outs" for presidential press pool. Assisted White House Press Advance Team members as directed or needed.

**News Services Graduate Assistant** **1990-1992**  
**Missouri State University (SMSU), Springfield, MO**

Assisted in directing undergraduate personnel. Helped in the organization of news conferences. Assisted in compilation of media contact manual. Wrote and distributed news releases to local, state, and national media outlets. Released audio news feeds to broadcast stations.

**Broadcaster** **1987-1990**  
**KWFC, Springfield, MO**

Covered a variety of events including elections and gubernatorial, congressional, and presidential visits. Contributed stories to national media outlets such as the USA Radio Network and Focus on the Family's *Family News In Focus*. The only broadcast journalist from southwest Missouri inside the U.S. Supreme Court to hear oral arguments in the historic Webster vs. Reproductive Health Services abortion case. Prior to achieving goal of working in the news department, served as an announcer with a multiplicity of on-air responsibilities. Voiced donor acknowledgments and assisted with in-house production. Conceptualized, developed, produced, and hosted weekly half-hour ministry radio broadcast.

**Executive Director/State Chairman** **1984-1987**  
**Missouri Liberty Foundation (Missouri Moral Majority), Springfield, MO**

Initially served as Executive Director; soon promoted to State Chairman. Wrote and produced weekly 5-minute syndicated radio broadcast, interviewing national leaders, state officials, and other experts regarding issues related to America's religious heritage and family values. Wrote and co-produced special radio broadcasts, for observances such as Thanksgiving, National Day of Prayer, Christmas, and Hanukkah. Developed and organized events with Christian leaders such as Jerry Falwell and John Walvoord. Stayed abreast of Missouri Legislative activities, as well as national issues related to the organization's pro-life, pro-family, pro-America positions. Maintained contact with constituency via newsletters and broadcasts. Contacted legislators and/or their offices to obtain pertinent legislative information and/or to voice support/opposition for various bills or proposals.

## EDUCATION

**Ph.D. in Communication** **2004**  
**Regent University, Virginia Beach, VA**

Dissertation: "Presidential Inaugurals: A Quantitative Analysis of First and Second American Presidential Inaugural Addresses as Subsets Within the Rhetorical Genre"  
Passed Oral Exam "With Honors."

**M.A. in Communication** **1992**  
**Missouri State University (SMSU), Springfield, MO**

Graduated with a 4.00.

**B.A. in Biblical Studies** **1984**  
**Baptist Bible College, Springfield, MO**

Area of Concentration: Pastoral Studies

## CERTIFICATIONS

Licensed to the ministry of the Gospel in 2000 at West Republic Baptist Church (BBFI) Republic, MO.

Trained/authorized for Good News Club ministry through Child Evangelism Fellowship (2009).

## **SAMPLING OF PUBLICATIONS/PAPERS**

- “When the President Invites God to the Inauguration”*  
Published in the Baptist Bible Tribune **2009**
- “Presidential Inaugurals: A Quantitative Analysis of First and Second American Presidential Inaugural Addresses as Subsets Within the Rhetorical Genre”*  
Dissertation Published **2004**
- “TheLink”*  
Appointed as editor by President Mike Randall, Baptist Bible College. **2002-03**
- “Famous Infidel Becomes Renowned Baptist Pastor: The B. H. Carroll Story.”*  
Published in the Baptist Bible Tribune **2000**
- “W. B. Riley: Fierce Debater, Tenacious Prophet.”*  
Published in the Baptist Bible Tribune **2000**
- Served as a member of the Editorial Advisory Board for *“The Analytical Writer: A College Rhetoric 2nd ed.”* written by Adrienne Robins. **1996**
- “Flying the Arabian Sky: SMSU Graduate Shares Persian Gulf Experiences”*  
Southwest Missourian **1991**

## **SAMPLING OF ACADEMIC MEETINGS/CONFERENCES**

- “Free Tips, Tricks & Technology Tools for Teachers”*  
Recorded webinar attended. **2010**
- “Does God Exist” debate on the campus us Missouri State University*  
Attended and videotaped the event and was recruited to provide a video of the event to the sponsoring campus organization and both participants—Dr. John Corvino (professor of ‘Philosophy at Wayne State University and gay activist) and Glen Stanton (research fellow at Focus on the Family). Dr. Beck has contacted both participants since the debate and provided them with a DVD of the debate. **2010**
- Served as Reviewer for Central States Communication Association’s 2009 Convention*  
Panel Presentations were read in advance of the convention, rated, and returned. Reviewers’ ratings/comments were used to determine if panel presentations would be accepted and presented or rejected. **2009**
- “Helping College Students Develop Critical Thinking Skills”*  
Webinar attended real-time. **2009**
- “Connect”* presented by McGraw-Hill  
Webinar attended real-time. **2009**

## **LANGUAGES**

English – native language

Koine Greek – Ten hours of undergraduate work in this language to be used for biblical interpretation/application within work of the ministry.

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

Central States Communication Association

Religious Communication Association

International Brotherhood of Magicians (Ring 325)

## **AWARDS/APPOINTMENTS**

Appointee to the Missouri Genetic Disease Advisory Committee subject to Senate Confirmation

Appointed by Governor Matt Blunt subject to senate confirmation

**2008**

## **CHURCH/COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

Pastor (Teaching, mentoring, ministering, witnessing, etc.)

Soloist

Oversee church ministries including Good News Clubs in Willard & Republic

Gospel Magician

Served as Judge at Republic High School Speech & Debate Tournament